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**MARCH ISSUE OF
"NATURALIST."**

SPECIALLY INTERESTING
NUMBER.

The first number of Vol. III of the *Hongkong Naturalist* is to appear in March. It will contain splendid illustrations of flowering shrubs, birds' nests, crabs, a leopard and deer and many other interesting things besides numerous figures in the text.

The contributors to this number are Mr. A. H. Crook, Lieut. Commander S. R. Anderson, R.N., Commander E. A. Aylmer, R.N., and others. The subscription to the volume is \$7 a year. Particulars may be seen in an advertisement in this issue.

In the editorial appearing in this coming number the editor, Dr. G. A. C. Horkkots, says:

In a Colony such as Hongkong, where the resident population of Europeans is constantly changing, it is no easy task to maintain continuity of policy. This journal was started two years ago by four men three of whom have now left the Colony. The departure of Mr. A. H. Crook we have already deplored and now we have lost Major H. P. W. Hutson D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., R.E., whose articles on our local birds have been so much enjoyed, and Lieut. Comdr. A. M. Hughes R.N., whose beautiful paintings of Hongkong birds have added colour and life to our pages.

A Notable Writer.

Major Hutson came to this Colony with a reputation as a keen ornithologist; his field observations on the birds of Northern Nigeria have been in part published in the *British Ornithologist's Club* and in part incorporated in the *Birds of Northern Nigeria*. In Hongkong he compiled a card index of all the birds recognised with certainty by himself, including full data of times and localities. This list, which contained 140 names at the time of his departure, is being kept by the *Naturalist* and supplemented and added to as further facts are obtained. (The number of species recorded now stands at 144). Largely due to the efforts of Major Hutson, nests and eggs of some 30-40 birds have been found and examined, an attainment of no mean order in a Colony like Hongkong where so many birds are migrants and where Chinese boys ruthlessly rob the eggs and young from those few that do remain to nest.

Lieut. Commander Hughes' paintings have been largely responsible for the welcome that has been accorded to the *Naturalist* during the past two years. Whilst regretting exceedingly his departure we can still enjoy his work as he has left behind a number of paintings for our use and since leaving us has sent more out from England. We hope that he will continue to be a source of pleasure to our readers by sending us more of his delightful paintings.

Government Aid.

We must again thank the Hongkong Government for voting a grant to our journal for the purpose of defraying the cost of reproducing Lieut. Comdr. Hughes' paintings. The grant, though not as large as for 1931, will nevertheless cover the cost of one coloured plate in each of the four issues for the year.

The series of ornithological articles commenced by Major Hutson will be continued by Commander E. A. Aylmer R.N. We ask readers who are interested in birds to send, either to the Editor, or direct to Commander Aylmer such notes, or queries, on Arrivals, Departures, Nesting, etc., that they may wish, so that their observations may be incorporated in the "Ornithological Notes" and thus placed on permanent record.

A third loss during 1931, to the regular contributors' list of this journal, is that of Mr. Soame Jenyns who has left Government

**WOOSUNG THRILLS
DESCRIBED.**

LINER IN THE THICK OF
A BATTLE.

A thrilling account of the experience of passengers aboard the steamer *President Lincoln*, which became involved in the fighting off Woosung forts as it was leaving Shanghai, was given in an interview yesterday by Mr. M. Ezra, well-known Shanghai business man, who is on a trip to Hongkong.

In the course of the interview, Mr. Ezra said that the *President Lincoln* left Shanghai at noon on Saturday after hostilities had been resumed between the Japanese and Chinese forces.

Up to the point everything was quiet, said Mr. Ezra, and it was not until we passed there that we had any indication that the Japanese offensive had commenced. From the boat-deck of the steamer we could see the Japanese aerodrome, where there had been fully twenty-five bombers warming up in readiness to take off. Three or four others were in the air, circling over the field. A little further down the Whangpoo River we heard the sounds of heavy firing and suddenly in the bend of the river we saw the flashes from the Japanese cruisers, apparently bombarding what remained of the Woosung forts, or some area north of there.

Destroyers Appear.

As we came abreast of the railway yards, the headquarters of the Japanese army, two Japanese destroyers suddenly moved forward and took up a position about a hundred yards ahead of us. When they reached Woosung village they commenced firing heavily, their objective appearing to be some mills and a building to the right of them. Evidently the destroyers were trying to dislodge some machine gun nests in the neighbourhood, for shell after shell was dropped on the buildings.

Service here in Hongkong and has joined the staff of the Ceramics Department at the British Museum. We hope that Mr. Jenyns will continue to write for us and here may we say how much his articles have been appreciated.

Assistance Rendered.

In an editorial such as this we naturally thank those who have helped us in the past but we should not neglect to thank those who are still helping us. May we mention here in particular the staff of the Royal Observatory Hongkong who continue to supply us with "Climatological Data." A few words of thanks also are necessary to those scientists in all parts of the world who are helping to classify and describe our collections; may we especially record our appreciation of the co-operation which Chinese biologists in Nanking and Peking have extended to us.

We contemplate increasing in size and variety the "Notes and Comments" section of the *Naturalist* and appeal to readers, not only in Hongkong and South China, but also in other countries to aid us in this connection. An attempt is being made to improve the quality of reproduction of photographs in this journal; this of course results in an increase in the costs of production and therefore we may be unable to maintain either the quality of the tone plates, or the number of them, in succeeding issues.

There are many groups of animals and plants, other than birds, which we should like to reproduce in colour; a fund has therefore been inaugurated, contributions to which will be very welcome, the sole purpose of which is to meet the costs of the reproduction of extra coloured plates. Dr. C. M. Cooke of Honolulu has very kindly given us \$200.00 H.K. with which we have opened this fund and at the time of going to press sub-

sequent donations have brought the sum to a total of \$487. We shall keep our readers informed of the state of this fund and rely on all our friends who can do so to contribute to it.

The bridge at Woosung Creek was demolished and was in absolute ruins. Here and there fires were raging fiercely, and huge craters could be seen everywhere.

The Real Thrill.

All this time the two Japanese destroyers were keeping exactly 100 yards ahead of us, and curiously enough they maintained the same speed as our ship, firing all the while at the forts, which fortunately did not reply with anything heavier than machine guns. We could not turn back, owing to the narrowness of the river, and our ship kept blowing the siren for the Japanese destroyers to let us pass.

But the real thrill was to come suddenly the Japanese destroyers stopped, and just as we slowly drew level with them, opened with salvo after salvo at their objective. They were barely thirty yards away from us, and it was most exciting to look down from the boat-deck of the ship and watch the gun crew, leading their guns, firing at the word of command, and ejecting the empty shells.

Had the Chinese not restrained their fire, it is problematical what the result would have been. They would only have had to slightly elevate one of their guns to find a neutral billet for the shells. Curiously enough we did not see a single Chinese soldier, although the rat-a-tat of their machine guns could be plainly heard.

British Flag Still Flying.

The British flag was still flying proudly over the Woosung Fort Hotel, which, with the exception of slight damage to one corner, appeared to be undamaged. The landscape around the Woosung forts was absolutely unrecognisable, and what remained of the guns in the fort were pointing up in all sorts of fantastic angles. One of the radio masts was still standing, the other had disappeared.

As we steamed out of the Whangpoo we could see the long line of Japanese cruisers and destroyers aiming apparently to the north of the forts. The Chinese were entrenched at the river's edge, because for the first time I could see the flashes from their field pieces. Some of the Japanese shells were falling short, and were throwing up huge columns of water.

By now we were getting out of the torrid zone, and shortly afterwards passed a Japanese aircraft-carrier, with a fleet of planes in the water besides it. Nearly was H.M.S. Cornwall, whose

**The Use and Abuse of
Purgatives for Children.**

It was recently reported in an English newspaper that an eminent medical man condemned the use of castor oil for children. Castor oil imposes a great strain on the internal organs, it was stated, and in the experience of the writer, many children had been permanently harmed by the use of this powerful purgative. Senna and salts are also not without drawbacks, for the action of these crude laxatives is irritant and often damaging to the delicate internal membranes of the child.

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EMPRESS LINERS.

NOT TO PROCEED UP RIVER
AT SHANGHAI.

Owing to the risk from shellfire in the Whangpoo River, the Canadian-Pacific Steamship Co. have decided that in future Empress liners will not proceed up the river to Shanghai, but will anchor at Woosung, passengers being transhipped to and from the steamers by launches.

The Empress of Canada, which left Shanghai yesterday for Vancouver was the first vessel to come under the new scheme.

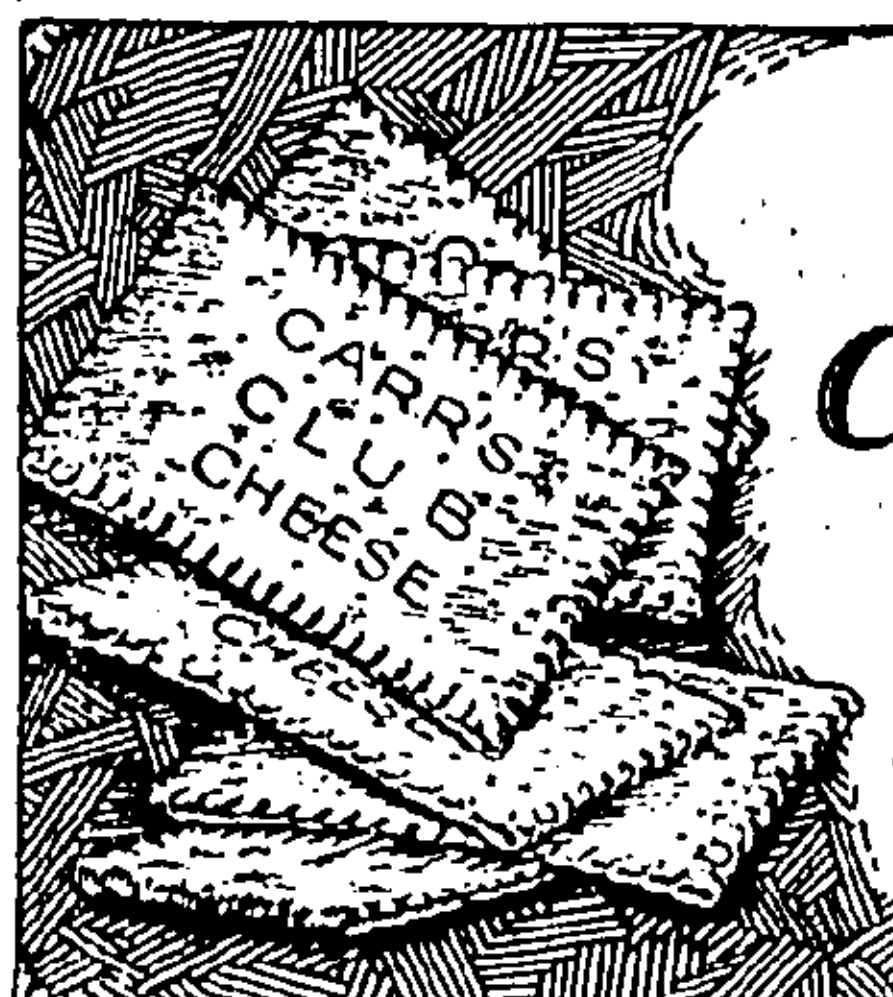
Officers and men were keenly interested in the fighting.

We were all ordered off the boat-deck when the fighting commenced and were requested to take shelter below, but some of us managed to stay on deck, and watch from there, the whole episode, which lasted fully half-an-hour.

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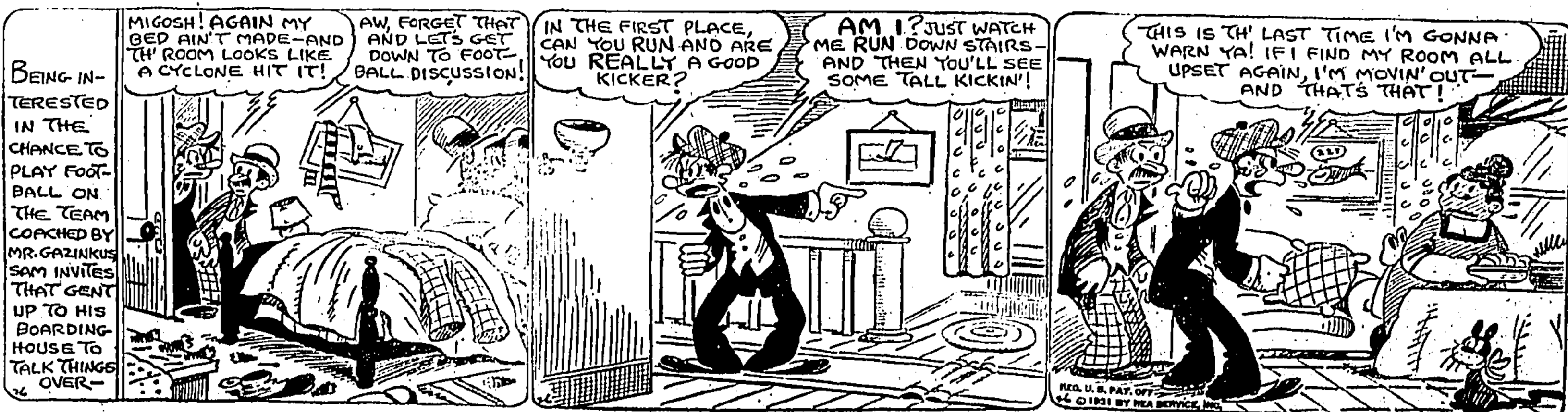
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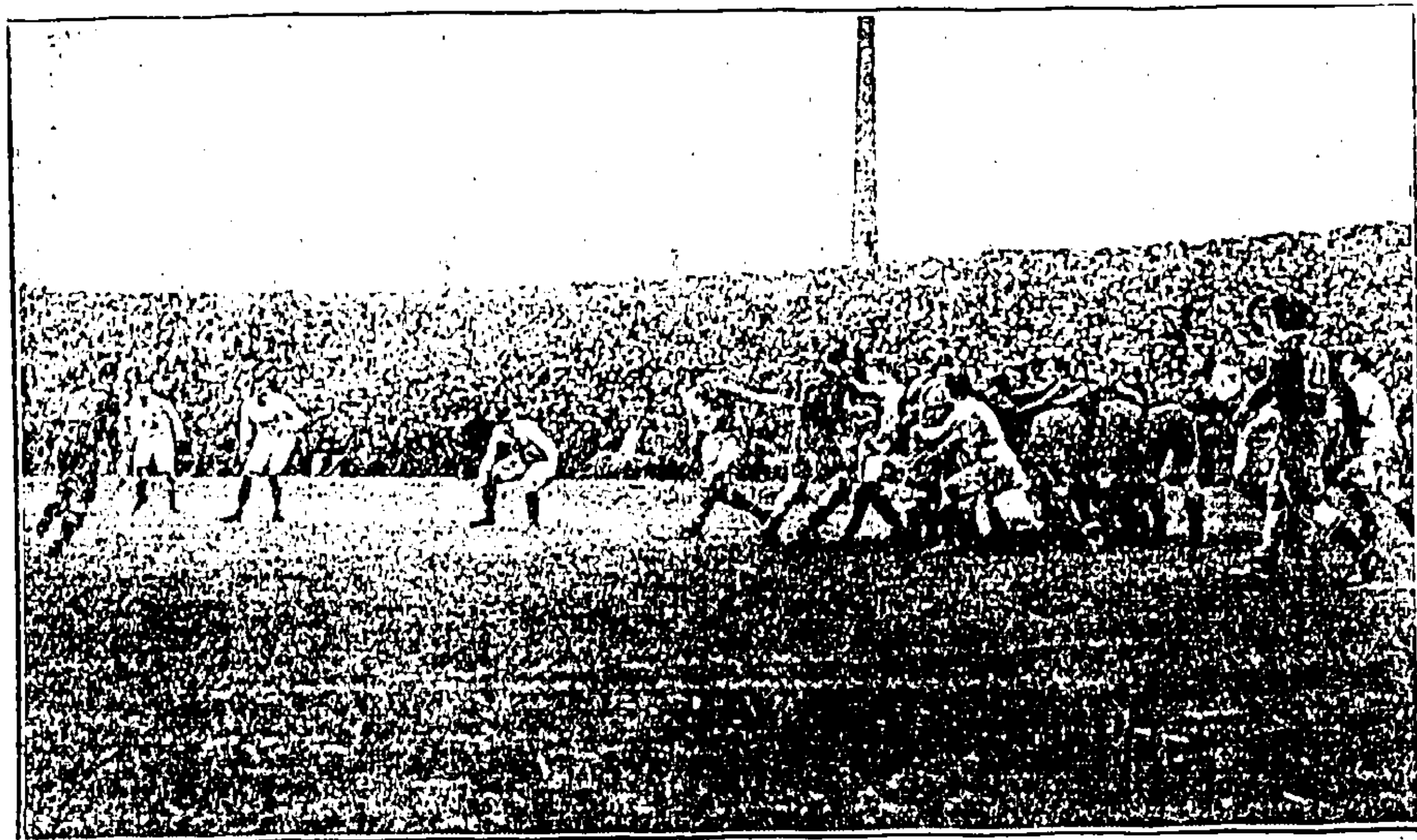
The animals from Bostock and Wombwell's menagerie, which has closed down, arrived at Dunstable from Glasgow (Jan. 18), and were taken to the Zoological park at Whipsnade. Our picture shows two of the camels and an elephant on the way to Whipsnade.—(Times copyright).



Mr. E. Metcalf's Gardeners Supremacy, winner of a Challenge Certificate for Bedlington at the National Terrier Show. (Times copyright).



The guitar used by Lady Hamilton about 1800, an interesting exhibit by Mr. Ernest Makower.



The South Africans ended their most successful tour by beating Scotland at Murrayfield by two tries to a try. Out of the 26 matches played they have won 23, drawn two, and lost one. Our picture shows the breaking up of a scrimmage near the Scottish line and a section of the crowd of about 60,000 present.—(Times copyright).



A feature of the meeting at Lingfield on Jan. 16, was a dead-heat between two Grand National horses, Drintyre and Sir Lindsay, in the Burston Double Handicap Steeplechase. They are seen taking the water jump together, Sir Lindsay on the left.—(Times copyright).

THREE KINDS OF LOVE by KAY CLEAVER STRAHAN

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Ann, Cecily and Mary-Frances Forwick live with their grandparents, once wealthy, now an impoverished family. The girls have been spoiled and indulged. The grandparents are known respectively as "Uncle" and "Aunt," and they have no respect for the girls' parents. When the story opens Anne has been engaged to Philip Dainton, young lawyer for eight years.

Cecily brings home a new dress to show to her friends. It is a short time but is falling in love with him. Mary-Frances and her friend, Ermtrude, are excited about the arrival of a clock company after known as "Earl De Amour." They meet him on the street next day and he speaks to them. Mary-Frances is thrilled, agrees to meet him that night after the performance. Philip telephones Anne, asking her to go on a picnic. She refuses, because it is her night to cook at home. Phil, annoyed, takes Letty King, a film clerk, on the picnic.

CHAPTER XIII

Three more thrilled affirmations before Mary-Frances turned from the telephone to Ann. "Mayn't I please go over to Ermtrude's for half an hour? Please—"

"No," said Ann firmly. "You were there last night. I told you that I wanted you to help me this evening."

"But what in the world," asked Rosalie, though indulgently, "is this notion of yours about cleaning the hall to-night, Ann? Such an odd time to choose."

"May I?" whined Mary-Frances. "No, dear," said Ann. "You may not."

"Darling," said Rosalie, the peace-maker perpetual, "ask your little friend to come here and visit you this evening."

"No," said Ann. "Mary-Frances must help me this evening."

Mary-Frances at the telephone wilted and drooped; desire for living went from her; she was abused, martyred, and this she gave to Rosalie, along with a quivering lower lip and a knuckle close to her eye ready to wipe away the tears that even her courage could not long forestall.

Rosalie, sorrowful too with sympathy, said, "Dearest, tell your little friend that you will call her again in a few minutes, and we'll see." And Mary-Frances said, "Listen, Ermtrude, I'll call you back in a sec—I've got to hang up now," and replaced the receiver on its hook and looked malignantly at Ann.

"Ann, dear," Rosalie began, "don't you think it is just a bit selfish that because you have no

I shall put it differently. Who is to decide what these duties and responsibilities shall be? Of what they shall consist? In other words, do you little girls not forget, sometimes at least, that your Rosalie and grand are still able to take their places—able and willing—as needs of this household? I am not criticizing. I understand only too well how this—I shall not call it thoughtlessness nor carelessness—to spare Rosalie and me is at its source. I know. That I know. But our shoulders are still broad, and we are here with you children for but one purpose.

"Shift the burden, little Ann. Shift the burden. And now, Mary-Frances, with my full and free consent, and I trust with Ann's, you may telephone to your little friend and invite her here to your home to spend the evening with you."

Ann nodded and said, "All right, dear," to Mary-Frances, and Rosalie commented concerning how easy it was to have life flow along like a song. "It is only a matter," said Rosalie, "of our all singing together the same sweet little loving tune."

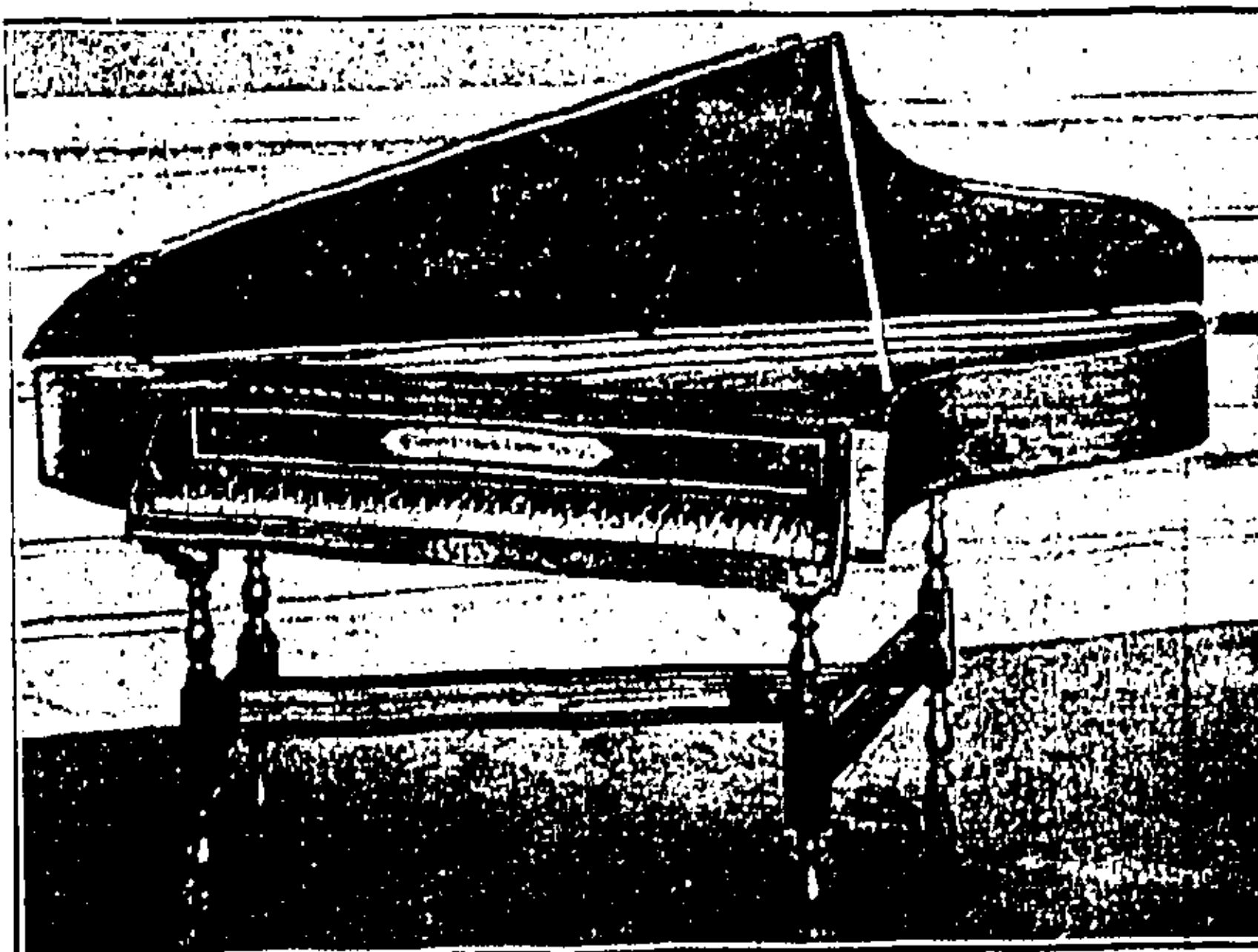
Letty tossed away her cigarette and Philip stopped being informative about birds and rose from the blanket spread over the wet grass to put his heel on the smoldering stub.

She said, "Oh, that's the third one I've made you stand up to put out, all in a row, isn't it?" and giggled a little. "I just don't seem to remember about forest fires and things."

Quite all right," Philip answered, and sat down again opposite her with the same yard and a half of brown and red Indian blanket spread between them.

Letty sighed, almost imperceptibly. She was coming to fear that, in spite of Mr. Ecroyd's good looks, she had made a mistake when she cut her date with Ken Smith to come out with him. So far he had been absolutely a flint tyre, talking unslakably of piston rods and scenery and birds. If she hurried, perhaps she could head him off before he got started again on mountain robits.

"Memory is kind of a funny thing, isn't it?" she offered. "Now, with me, I really have a wonderful memory—everybody says so—but I just don't remember anything that I don't think is important. Anything important I always remember. Like when I file a card—it is just like I filed it in my mind at the same time. I never forget it. And I'm the same way with names, and faces, and prices, and things I'm



An interesting relic of musical London in the past included in the exhibition which was opened on Jan. 16, in the London Museum, Lancaster House. Our picture shows a spinet made about 1710 by Thomas Hitchcock, who introduced the instrument to England.—(Times copyright).

to buy, and all like that. Anything important I can always remember."

"And you don't consider forest fires important?" Philip smiled, though, as he questioned.

"Well, of course I do. But I know perfectly well that a fire wouldn't start out here now when everything is so wet. I'll bet anything you couldn't start one if you tried."

"It is the principle of the thing, isn't it?" Philip rebuked gently. "If one gets into the habit of throwing lighted cigarettes about when they aren't dangerous, one might easily forget at some time when they would constitute a real hazard."

Letty sighed again, less imperceptibly. "I'm not much for forming habits myself," she said.

"Good!" Philip responded heartily, and added, "No—I'm sure you aren't," and looked again at her small neat head, with its red-gold hair that seemed to sparkle even in the shadows, and wondered again whether or not it smelled of soap. During the past half hour, since she had taken off her bonnet, he had been speculating about that planning young hair. It should not be perfumed; it should smell, cleanly, of soap.

She smiled at him engagingly. She had no notion why her remark about habits had pleased him, but his sudden enthusiasm was complimentary. He was the best-looking man she knew. He was positively better looking than Gary Cooper, and so distinguished, she'd bet he would be grand with peck-

TOURISTS STOP.

40,000 FEWER AMERICANS VISIT PARIS

A big decline in the number of American tourists into France during the past year is revealed by Mr. L. J. Kenna, the American Consul-General in Paris.

Mr. Kenna said that while complete data of tourists' movements were lacking, 40,000 fewer Americans arrived at Cherbourg in 1931 than the previous year.

ing—those firm lips under that handsome moustache.

"Tell me," he said half teasingly. "What are you much for?"

"I don't get you," she said, and went on to say quickly, "Do you know you are just terribly good-looking?"

"Thank you," he said. "It is very kind of you to say so. Do you know that you are extremely pretty? Now then, you say that you aren't much for habits; tell me, what are you much for?"

His teasing brought the note of intimacy that had been so stupidly lacking until now. Her curiosities were acute, and her impulses were undisciplined. Two scurrying, jerking movements across the blanket brought her beside him, snuggled just under his shoulder.

"This?" she questioned. "How about you?"

Her lip paste was perfumed. Her hair smelled, disappointingly, of smoke.

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The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 10th March 1932 to 23rd March 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

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A limited number of Tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club house, provided they are ordered in advance from No. 1 Box, Telephone No. 21920.

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THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 10th March, 1932, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 1st March, 1932, to Thursday, the 10th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1932.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at the VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, the 3rd MARCH, 1932, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

ENTRIES will DEFINITELY CLOSE at noon on THURSDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, 1932, at the Hon. Secretary's Office, 11, Queen's Road, Central, but intending Exhibitors are requested to SEND IN THEIR ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

Members who have not yet paid their subscription and ALL THOSE who WISH to JOIN the Society are requested to send \$5.00 immediately to the Undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 27th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 15th February, to Saturday, the 27th February, 1932 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1932.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Monday, the 29th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 18th February, to Monday, 29th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1932.

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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1932.

CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Jane Darwell, the Widow Douglas of Paramount's "Tom Sawyer" and "Huckleberry Finn" was re-signed by that company, to portray one of the outstanding roles in the romance, "Ladies of the Big House" featuring Sylvia Sydney and Gene Raymond.

The picture, which is a heart-grIPPING love story of two young persons who get in a mix-up with gangsters and are caught and convicted of murder, though innocent, is the featured attraction at the King's Theatre.

Miss Darwell made her screen debut in the second motion picture ever produced by Paramount. It was "Brewster's Millions" and was produced in the historic barn that was the original Paramount studio. Had she arrived in Hollywood a week sooner Miss Darwell would have been in Paramount's first film.

Miss Darwell returned to the stage after two years and returned to pictures to make her talking screen debut in "Tom Sawyer." She is one of the older school of melodramatic and repertoire stage show artists, and has played hundreds of roles in all parts of the country.

"Canaries Sometimes Sing." "Extraneous disturbances" are the bane of the "Talkie" director. A cough, perhaps the dropping of an aspirin, a shuffle or any sound at the microphone is alive is mounded. Tom Walls, who directed "Canaries Sometimes Sing" will be shown at the King's Theatre next Sunday, says the fear that something untoward will happen during the taking of a scene is a very wearing. The possibility of a disturbance is always in one's mind—and there are other little troubles. He told of the canary which was an important super-canary which was an important super-canary which was an important super-canary.

"The Hoary." The development of the story of Britain's best drama to date which is showing tomorrow at the Queen's Theatre is a vivid contrast between the nature of two half-sisters, Mary Edwards and Vera Manning. Vera is taken for a week-end by her boss, Ronald Overton, and when the Mary meets and falls in love with her sister, she tells Mary that she is going to have a baby, with the result that Mary renounces her lover and attempts to enter a convent.

Returning home from an interview with the Mother Superior, Mary arrives to find Vera standing over the dead body of Overton's rival, Dalmaine, but with the advent of the police, Mary again accuses herself for her sister's sake, a verdict is delivered of "Not Guilty," and Mary once more goes to the convent. Here she is interrupted later by Vera and Ronald, Vera to confess that she lied about the coming of the baby, and about to become reconciled with Mary. The picture closes with the figure of Vera, the nun, kneeling at her prie-dieu reciting her rosary.

There is a subsidiary development which shows Vera's father to be a forgetful, but this is merely a narrative device to give colour to the girl's quarrel with Dalmaine.

The dominating angle of course, is the self-sacrifice of the noble sister, and this is punctuated home in sequences which show her willingness to give up love and honour, and even life itself, for the sake of her unworthy sister.

"Guilty Hands." Two students of criminology were joined in the making of "Guilty Hands," the thrilling murder mystery drama which will open at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday next with Lionel Barrymore playing the featured role.

They were Bayard Veiller, noted dramatist, who wrote the story directly for the talkie screen, and W. S. Van Dyke, who directed it for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Veiller, known for such mystery plays as "The Trail of Mary Dugan," has obtained his unusual plots through his many years study of crime and criminal psychology. Van Dyke, a former newspaperman, has made an exhaustive study of criminology and numbers among his close friends some of the nation's leading crime investigators.

Between the two, they are said to have produced a screen mystery which sets a new mark for thrill, excitement and surprise. The story revolves about an attorney who murders his daughter's fiancé and reveals an amazing ingenuity in hiding his crime. The manner in which he is eventually exposed brings the plot to a startling and totally unexpected climax.

Included in the cast are Kay Francis, Madge Evans, William Bakewell, C. Aubrey Smith, Polly Moran and Alan Newbray.

A FRENCH IDEA FOR AMERICA.

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Paris, Jan. 25.
A new French idea aiming at a solution of the war debts and reparations problems as well as providing for partial disarmament

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COMING SHORTLY TO THE QUEEN'S.

CAN THERE BE A PERFECT MURDER?

SEE GUILTY HANDS

LIONEL BARRYMORE'S NEW TRIUMPH.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

Information has been received that the Siberian route is uninterrupted and the service by this route will accordingly be resumed forthwith.

The Public are, however, warned that, as this Service is somewhat precarious and still liable to suspension without notice, letters will only be accepted at senders' risks. In the event of the service being again suspended all letters will be forwarded via Suez.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed. It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the General Post Office that on and after 1st February no taxed correspondence will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Box-holders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Box-holders' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the delivery of the letters or postcards.

The Parcel Post Service to Shanghai and North China is fully resumed as from to-day.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai and Swatow	Sinking	February 24.
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Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers)	London, 28th January	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 5th February)	Rajputana	February 25.
Japan	Pres. Taft	February 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Kitano Maru	February 26.
Japan	Naldora	February 26.
Manila	Kidderporo	February 27.
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln	February 29.
Saigon	D'Artagnan	March 1.
Japan	Felix Rousset	March 2.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 5th February)	Haruna Maru	March 4.
Australia and Manila	Pres. Polk	March 6.
Japan	Nankin	March 6.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 12th February)	Chichibu Maru	March 6.
	Arizona Maru	March 6.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Amoy	Tai Yuan	Wed, Feb. 24, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru	Thur, Feb. 25, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thur, Feb. 25, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Kyning	Thur, Feb. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Foochow	Luchow	Thurs, Feb. 25, 3.30 p.m.
*Straits and Calcutta	Hosang	Fri, Feb. 26, Noon.
	Parcels	1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hiyang	Fri, Feb. 26, 1 p.m.
Holhow, Pakhol and Haiphong	Klungchow	Fri, Feb. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia, and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Kitano Maru	Satur, Feb. 27, 8.45 a.m.
	Reg.	8.30 a.m.
	Letters	(Due Thursday Island, 10th March)

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

Parcels, Feb. 26, 4.30 p.m.
Reg., Feb. 27, 9 a.m.
Letters, Feb. 27, 10 a.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels, Feb. 26, 5 p.m.
Reg., Feb. 27, 9.45 a.m.
Letters, Feb. 27, 10.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles, 25th March)

Foochow via Swatow
Bangkok via Swatow
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa
Japan and *Canada
Hikawa Maru Mon, Feb. 29, 5 p.m.
(Due Vancouver B.C., 21st March)

Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia
Hikawa Maru Mon, Feb. 29, 5 p.m.
Letters, Feb. 29, 6 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow
Haiching Tues, Mar. 1, 1 p.m.
Straits and *Europe via Marseilles
Menclous Tues, Mar. 1, K.P.O.
Reg., Mar. 1, 10 a.m.
Letters, Mar. 1, 1 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg., Mar. 1, 1.15 p.m.
Letters, Mar. 1, 2 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 31st March)

Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, and Europe via Marseilles
D'Artagnan Tues, Mar. 1, K.P.O.
Registration, Feb. 27, 1 p.m.
Letters, Feb. 27, 1 p.m.
G.P.O.
Registration, Feb. 27, 1.45 p.m.
Letters, Feb. 27, 2.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 1st April)

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia
President Lincoln Tues, Mar. 1, 1.15 p.m.
Parcels, Mar. 1, Noon.
Reg., Mar. 1, 1.15 p.m.
Letters, Mar. 1, 2 p.m.
(Due San Francisco, 22nd March)

Swatow
Sandakan
Manila
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C., and *Europe via Siberia
Norviken Tues, Mar. 1, 5 p.m.
Mausang Wed, Mar. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Shinyo Maru Wed, Mar. 2, 2.30 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles
Haruna Maru Fri, Mar. 4, K.P.O.
Reg., Mar. 4, 4.30 p.m.
Letters, Mar. 4, 4.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg., Mar. 4, 5 p.m.
Letters, Mar. 4, 6 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 2nd April)

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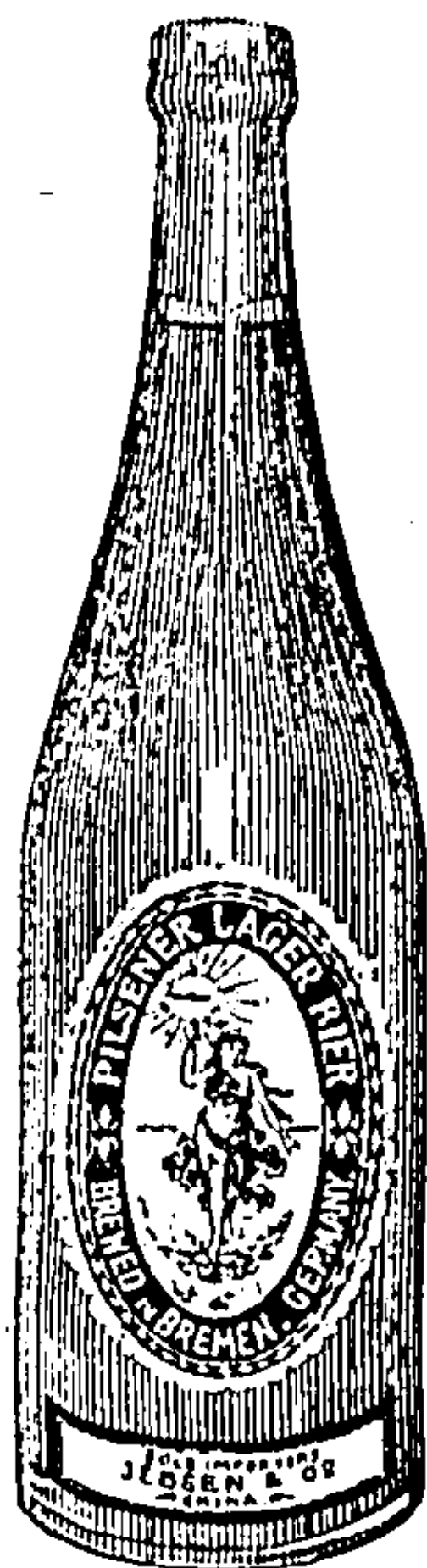
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WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

**BEAUTY CULTURE.****Eight Rules for Beauty.**

1. As soon as wrinkles begin to appear, wage war on them with muscle oil. Massage it in across the line of the wrinkles and allow it to sink in during sleeping hours.
2. Use a cleansing or cold cream to remove all make-up last thing at night—and do not omit to remove all traces of the cream afterwards. So many women observe the first of these points and overlook the second.
3. Nourish the skin with an occasional kneading. To do this correctly, follow an expert chart, or have a lesson treatment, thoroughly kneading the muscles of the face and throat with a firm pressure, using skin food. For hollow cheeks, start the kneading movements at the middle of the chin, using three fingers of each hand, and rubbing outward and upward firmly but gently towards the middle of the ears. Use a rotary movement always, each circle about the size of a half-crown.
4. Help your beauty culture by relieving the tired feeling that comes after shopping or working. Do this by rotating the palms of the hands from the centre of the forehead outward, and over the back of the ears downward to the sides of the neck.
5. Give the pores a special treatment occasionally. Do this either by steaming the skin by holding the face over a bowl of boiling water, under a "tent" formed by a towel, or, if your skin is delicate, by using a pore cleanser.
6. Use an eyebrow and eyelash brush as often as you use a hair brush. It will be as effective in giving a well-groomed appearance.
7. Use a hand lotion and a hand exercise to keep the skin smooth and the fingers supple. Place the cream or lotion in the palm of one hand, cover with the other hand with a firm grasp, and rotate deeply without lifting the palm.
8. Give dry hair a weekly olive oil treatment. Heat the oil and apply to the scalp, sleeping with a cloth bound lightly round the head. Shampoo the hair in the usual way the next morning.

BEAUTY HINTS.

(By Alicia Hart.)

Sheer merita often stands in the way of improving your looks. Such little blemishes as warts often detract greatly from an otherwise pleasing countenance.

Older women, especially, should face such blemishes and decide to do something about them. Taking off warts is no colossal chore. The best beauty specialists can have them off in a jiffy and no hurt to you while removing them.

It is a mistake, I think, to try to remove blemishes yourself unless you know something about the electric needle or about the chemicals you use. Why run the risk when it actually is a specialist's job?

But regardless of how you have your blemish removed, do have it off. This, of course, would include having any wart on your nose, chin, cheek or forehead taken off.

In addition to desiring as much beauty as possible, one other good reason for having your blemishes removed now is that they do not, unfortunately, improve with age.

YOUR CHILDREN.

(By Olive Roberts Barton)

What has happened to physiology? Are we turning to the "psycho"? Instead—learning about the tricks of the mind and forgetting we have bodies?

In our school we had to learn it when we were little. I think we started in the fifth or sixth grade. When we were through with the primer we were given another, greener and taller and fatter physiology book. When we were through with that, we knew at least that we were not stuffed with feathers, and that the alimentary canal did not run from Albany to Buffalo as one child in my room years later wrote on a geography paper.

In that school they did not teach physiology and where the youngster got hold of the word alimentary always puzzled me.

To go back to my own childhood, when I was thirteen I knew these things: the number of bones in the body and the names of most of them; the shape, position and function of every vital organ; the processes of assimilation, the lactens and the lymphatic system that carries nourishment; the two circulatory systems in which the veins and arteries reverse the direction and composition of their streams, the veins carrying purified blood this time back to the heart to be resorted on its way; the six senses and the minute mechanical make-up of ears, eyes, nose and throat; the difference between the oesophagus and the thachen; what the larynx was and how to pronounce it!

Bone structure, from the honey-comb process to the peristoleum; heart valves, compartments and the sac it swings in—with all their real names. The lungs and the process of respiration; the secret of capillaries and cells; the coats of the stomach, the coats of the intestines, everything that has a coat or set of coats.

Well—I am out of breath, but there was a lot more. The most important nerves, the construction of the brain, and so on.

You probably had all this, too, so it is history to you. But so many schools have dropped physiology and hygiene from their

TO-DAY'S RECIPES.**Orange Pie.**

Mix one tablespoonful of cornflour with one cup of white sugar, and then add the juice of two oranges and the grated rind of one. Mix well and add the yolks of two eggs (well beaten). Cook without boiling until thick, and before removing from the stove add a piece of butter the size of a small egg. Pour into a piecrust (which has been previously baked), and cover the top with the whites of two eggs well beaten and sweetened. Place in the oven for a few minutes until a light brown.

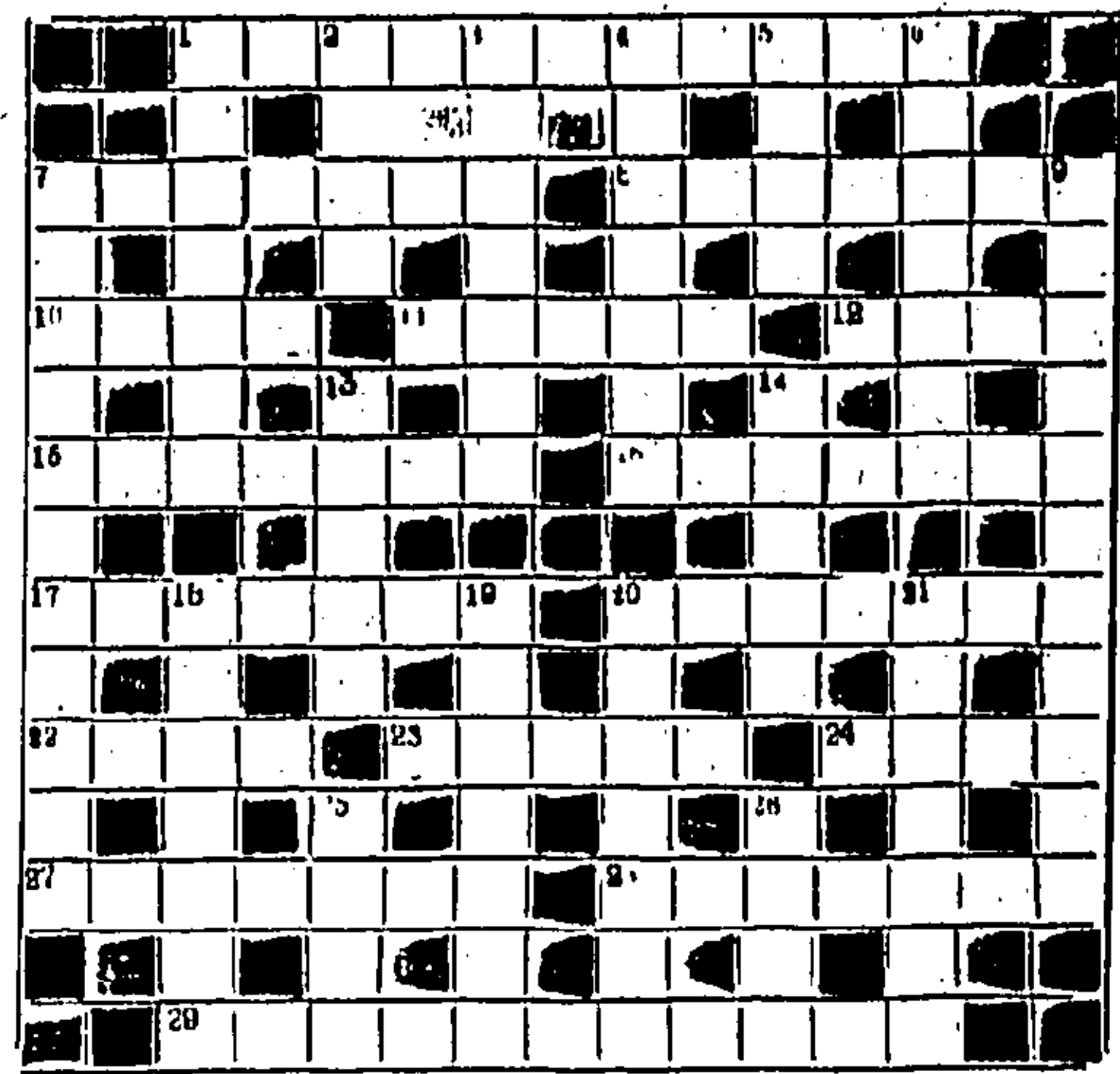
Orange Cup.—For this get six oranges, 2oz. desiccated coconut, and a square of orange jelly. Halve the oranges carefully and take out the pulp, leaving two complete cups of the skins. Prepare the jelly in the usual way, adding a teaspoon fresh lemon juice and a tablespoon fine sugar. When cold, break up with two forks, and fill each cup with the jelly. Set in paper cases and sprinkle some of the coconut over each.

Fruited Oranges.—Remove the skin and pith from eight oranges, being careful not to break the fruit. Run a thread through the centre of each. Add 1lb. of caster sugar to the whites of seven fresh eggs and beat together for 20 minutes. Hold the oranges by the thread and dip them into the beaten sugar and eggs, covering them all over with the mixture. Pass a stick through the thread and hang the oranges before the fire until the sugar is dry. Serve with cream.

courses that the above resume would route thousands of children today.

And I think it is too bad. Of course we don't want education to deteriorate into facts, and facts only, but information, and a lot of it, never hurt anybody. And I consider that to be ignorant of our own machinery is unpardonable. The hygiene or care of the body I consider necessary.

At best it can only be a smattering of all there is to know, but if I am acquainted with my right arms as well as I think I am I want to call those bones that do so much for me by their first names, and the muscles, too.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.**Across**

- 1 However different things be, if they do this, they must agree in time.
- 7 This ancient Greek somewhat despoiled his middle.
- 8 Appears to have a hidden meaning, and sounds like advice to visit a Mediterranean island.
- 10 By his these the piper got rid of them with their heads turned.
- 11 A suffer to hold her hand without squeezing it.
- 15 Hot stuff!
- 16 "Be not as—in submission as in offence" (Merry Wives of Windsor).
- 17 I confess I this, but so was Romeo and Don Juan.
- 20 Novelist.
- 22 You can get the tube in this part of Scotland.
- 23 You mustn't come to this here (two words).
- 24 All but the passengers, though you might think the cox did it.
- 27 Not a soap box, but a speaker's stand nevertheless.
- 28 Not a fraction for example in bury.
- 29 Epithet for an unapostolic Peter.

Down

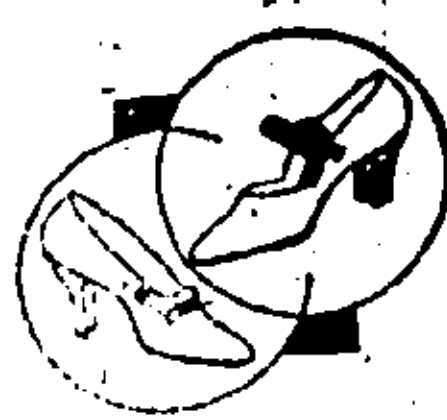
- 1 You could not call this fair.
- 2 A reverse could almost paralyze such fruit.
- 3 Herb poisonous to fowls.
- 4 It describes a great cricket's remedy in Cockney fashion, and isn't easily understood.
- 5 Seen in the kitchen.
- 6 Its tall is mighty smart, though it appears to leave without a

head.

- 7 Vulgar stiffness and colour describe a tribunal abolished in King Charles' reign.
- 9 A broadcasting station across the Channel.
- 13 Furnish with possibilities of endless wonder.
- 14 Seems to indicate exactly when to give satisfaction.
- 18 A corps that might prefer a brush with the foe to close quarters.
- 19 The reason why a Damascus woman learns to smile with her eyes.
- 20 Prescribed for the "jumps."
- 21 "Derange" (anag.).
- 25 Ship: mythological, if seemingly slangy.
- 26 A stable that you often have to look on the floor to find.

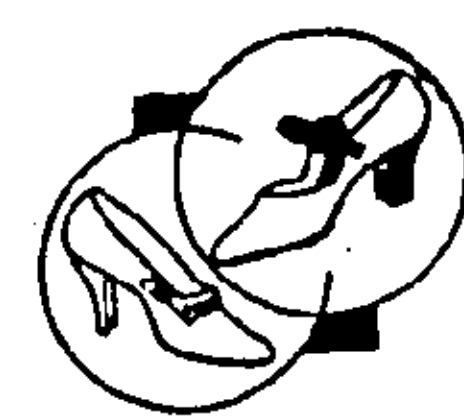
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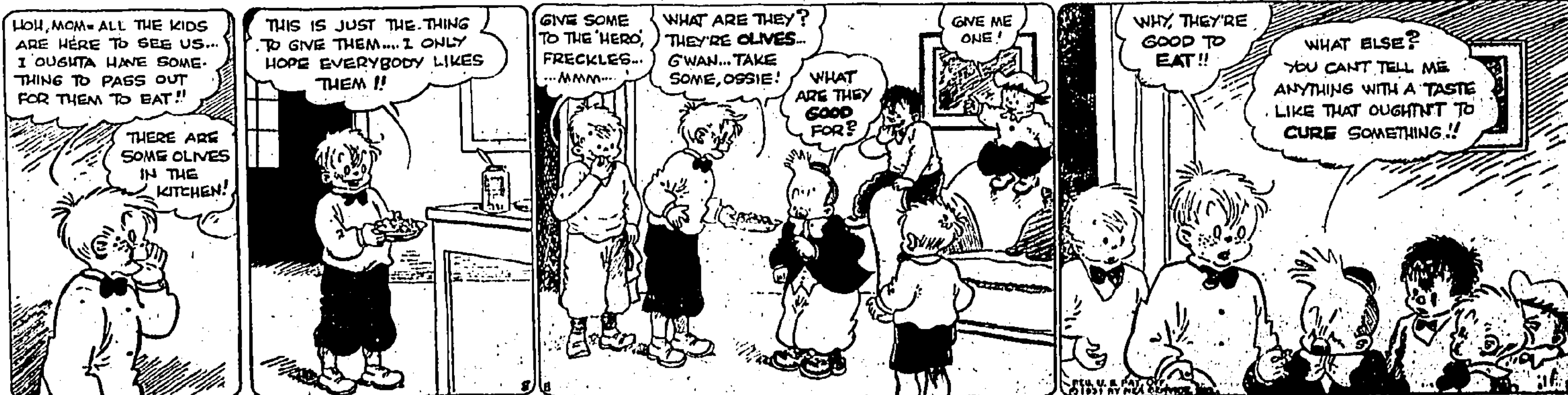
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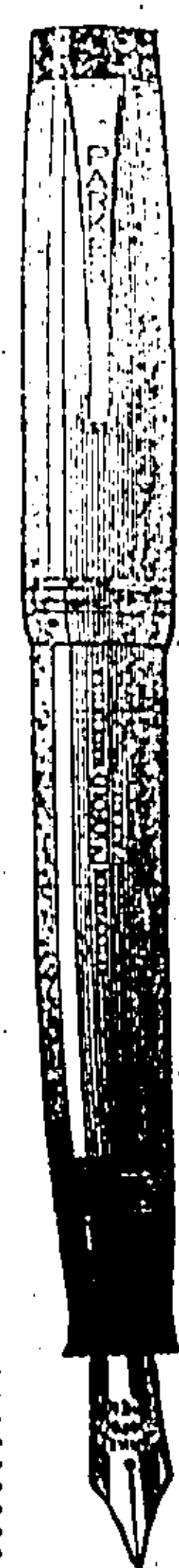
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PREMATURE.

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miration for the splendid and sur-
prising fight which the Chinese
are putting up in Shanghai would
be grudge the defenders' compa-
triotism in this Colony expressing
their gratification over the news
of successes in the field, provided,
of course, the demonstrations are
kept within reasonable bounds. It
is but natural that, in such circum-
stances, some ebullition of feeling
should be displayed. The Chinese
community would indeed be poor
patriots did they not find joy in
victory. But after yesterday's
celebrations, the counterpart of
some which have taken place in
other centres, the feeling cannot
be resisted that there is a very
real danger of the populace being
fooled by stories reflecting vic-
tories which only exist in the im-
agination. Indeed, as the real
facts became known, it was shown
that there was no justification
whatever for this amazing display
of popular feeling. In saying so
much, we do not detract in any
way from the magnificent fighting
spirit shown by the Chinese troops,
but the ridiculous tales in circula-
tion yesterday should have been
accepted with a very great deal
more reserve than they were.
Once fanciful tales gain currency,
however, it is almost impossible to
scotch them, especially where there
is some slight basis of fact to
account for the subsequent exag-
gerations. Since the Shanghai
troubles began, all manner of re-
ports, subsequently proved false,
have been made the occasion of
celebrations in various parts of
China. Canton has been duped,
so has Wuchow, and even Shanghai
itself. In the latter connexion,
we need only point to the fact
vouchsafed by a Shanghai contem-
porary that the Northern port has
been flooded with editions of the
Chinese "mosquito press," each of
which seeks to outvie the other in
proclaiming tremendous Chinese
victories and enormous Japanese
losses. In one such broadsheet
recently, it was blazoned forth
that over forty Japanese warships
had been sunk, more than sixty
aeroplanes shot down and no fewer
than 22,000 Japanese troops killed.
To intelligent people, the wholesale

character of the figures would be
sufficient to disprove their truth,
but to the gullible, eager to read
and believe the best of their own
side and the worst possible of the
other, such "news" can only have
a misleading and dangerous effect.
Such stories tend to make Chinese
non-participants lose all sense of
the strength of the opposition,
with the result that if and when
bad news comes, the reaction is
all the worse.

War is a grim business, a fact
which the Chinese cannot afford
to overlook. It is early in the day
yet to represent to the masses that
Japan is defeated and that she
will be unable to continue the
struggle. As a Chinese corres-
pondent writes to us to-day, it will
be better to await the develop-
ments of Japan's plans before
celebrating victory. Admittedly,
the Japanese have been given
much—fed for thought by the
spirited resistance which they
have encountered; and we can well
believe that Tokyo is feeling
anxious over the unexpected turn
of events. But even the Chinese
Government is preparing for a
long struggle, which seems a rea-
sonable anticipation unless unex-
pected developments occur. In
the circumstances, the wise plan
is to believe only that which is
vouched for in reputable quarters.
To do otherwise may be to result
in much vain regret later on.

Increased Leisure and Books.

Recent experiments with cheap-
er and omnibus books, and with
expedients for increasing the sale
of books, have led to a specific
study of the place which books
have in a democracy. Some of the
figures given in this study by R. L.
Duffus are interesting. Certain of
the conclusions of the writer, how-
ever, do not seem thoroughly well
founded. Mr. Duffus complains
that the public buys less than two
books per capita. The figures are
perhaps misleading because it is
not to be expected that either
young children or illiterates, or the
great mass of people who reside
where books are not readily ob-
tained, are likely to buy them.
Probably for the adult population
living in reasonably well
settled regions this average
of two books a year should
be increased to five or six. That
is, of course, not a great number.
But the people will spend more
every month on motion pictures
than they do in a year on books,
while on motor-car riding some
twenty times as much is disbursed
annually. Eugene Field, in a mo-
ment of satire, intending to con-
trast the lot of the publisher with
that of the author, once gave as a
division of a procession at the
Chicago World's Fair, "Publishers
in carriages followed by authors
on foot." But after all neither
publishers nor authors rank high
in American plutocracy to-day.
It is fair to say that the whole
tendency of the organization of
society for leisure in these days
is against the extension of the
habit of reading books. Automob-
iles, cinemas, golf, and wireless
furnish amusement for every con-
ceivable class and do not cost
materially more than would a
generous devotion to literature.
But more than that the tendency
is away from continuing serious
and intellectual effort during lei-
sure hours. Even newspapers are
striving to substitute short and
snappy articles for serious and
comprehensive contributions to
human knowledge. People seldom
read beyond the headlines and the
first paragraph. As to the maga-
zines, the mortality among the
more serious ones in the last de-
cade was distressing. Short-story
papers and monthlies given over
in the main to fiction thrive most.
This situation exists and is being
emphasised in a period when the
masses of men have more leisure
than ever in industrial history.
That it should exist seems to offer
less reason for criticizing the
methods of book publishers or the
intellectual sloth of readers than
it does for adding to the belief that
there should be established some
form of education in the proper
use of leisure. Really serious
students of economic conditions
look upon the shortened working
week, even the four-day week, as
a possibility within the lives of
present-day youth. Should that
condition arrive, it would be
calamitous if the masses have not
learned to develop mentally
through useful reading.

DAY BY DAY

CENSURE IS THE TAX A MAN PAYS
TO THE PUBLIC FOR BEING EMINENT.
Self.

The Empress of Asia arrived at
Vancouver on Monday evening.

There will be no concert at the
Helen May Institute on Thursday,
March 3, owing to the Flower Show.

Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Puisne
Judge, arrives from England after
long leave to-morrow morning, aboard
the P. and O. s.s. Rajputana.

Included in the 400 bags of first and
second class mail, which arrived at
Hongkong by the President Lincoln,
on Monday night were 128 bags of
mail from London, sent via Siberia.
The London mail was that of January
23 to February 1.

Nineteen cases of small-pox (nine
fatal), three fatal cases of enteric
fever (one fatal) were listed in the
return of notifiable diseases occur-
ring in the Colony during the past
week. There were also six deaths
from pulmonary tuberculosis. Three
cases of small-pox and three of
diphtheria were notified on Monday.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Yesterday's Celebrations.

[To the Editor, Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—It is perhaps too obvious
for me to point out that the firing
of crackers yesterday by the local
Chinese was an inevitable expres-
sion of their jubilation over the
reports of the latest successes of
the Chinese troops in Shanghai.
However, I am of the opinion
and I am sure it is the opinion of
many as well—that such a rap-
turous action was taken without
mature consideration. Perhaps
the impulse created by the news
of success, in the wake of that of
reverse, was so great that, once
sufficient momentum had been
gathered, nothing could stop its
finding an expression of some sort.

It is well known that large num-
bers of troops are on their way to
reinforce the Japanese now facing
the Chinese. It appears that
General Uyeda had expected the
stiff resistance put up by the
Chinese before the commencement
of the "Big Push," and had conse-
quently ordered the 11th Division,
the reinforcements, to stand by,
not in distant Japan but at the
very mouth of the Yangtze. And
who knows that the Japanese Com-
mander has not another divi-
sion, or divisions, marking time
somewhere ready to be thrown into
the hotbed?

Thus it is quite evident that in
whatever nature the reported suc-
cesses claimed by the Chinese in
this moment may be, the decisive
battle has yet to be fought out.
The Chinese therefore should not
give themselves so soon to wild
transport. They should be calm,
though watchful, and continue to
give their Government support.
The money expended in fire-
crackers yesterday must have been
enormous. It could, and should,
have been spent in a far better
way.—Yours, etc.,
K. S. L.

A Young Man Declares.

**WE ARE NOT AFRAID TO
THINK FOR OURSELVES.**

ON November 11, 1918, the
twentieth century was born
after four long years of ghast-
ly travail. I was a child then, and
have only a confused memory of
flags fluttering everywhere; church
bells ringing; happy, cheering
crowds, and a general sense of
swift relief from a grim, intoler-
able strain.

And the young men and women
of my generation can remember
little more. But we have had to
grow up in the world then ushered
in, a world unbelievably strange,
a world almost completely cut off
from the one in which our parents
spent their youth.

A Wide Gulf.

To-day, a much wider gulf
stretches between a young man and
his father than the latter would
find separating him from his great-
grandfather, and so we can
hardly expect to escape scot-free
from criticism and shocked indigna-
tion when our whole outlook and
attitude to life are so different
from those of our elders.

The accusations levelled against
us are many, but not very varied.
They all have a ring of monotonous
sameness about them: we are
cynical, mockingly sceptical, and in-
different to most things of import-
ance. Religion has lost its appeal;
reverence has vanished; convention
is flung to the wind; and we have
snatched the guiding-rein of all re-
cognised morality.

These are hasty generalisations,
with about as much truth in them
as in most generalisations, yet they
have sufficient justification behind
them to make it impossible for us
to ignore their significance or re-
fuse to try to understand the very
real concern which prompted them.

It seems to me that the fault lies
largely with our detractors, for,
with the best intentions in the
world, they never trouble to seek
for an explanation of the younger
generation's conduct, seeming
rather to put it down to some in-
nate and quite inexplicable per-
versity of character. Surely it
must be obvious to everyone how
we are the inevitable products of
the peculiar environment which
surrounded us during the most im-
pressionable years of our life.

Familiarity with marvels dulls
one's sense of wonder, and we are
all too apt to take for granted the
most stupendous achievements of
science. Perhaps it is labelling
the obvious to insist on this, and it
would be tedious to recapitulate the
list of advances made during the
past thirty years; but their
magnitude and influence must be
stressed, if the people between
twenty and thirty are ever to have
their views given a sympathetic
hearing.

A Changed World.

Until comparatively recent times
the world was a snug, cosy little
home of which man really could
feel himself the master, for all the

vast forces of the universe seemed
to centre around him. But, with
the development of astronomical
knowledge and the coming of the
new and startling theories of space
and time, the firm ground of cer-
tainty has slipped from beneath
our feet, leaving us floundering in a
morass of doubt and bewilderment.

We have been taught that the
world is like a grain of sand whirl-
ling round a tiny pebble, which, in
its turn, is voyaging on a strange
journey through space, through a
universe whose immensity appals
reason and staggers the imagina-
tion, a fantastic universe which
plays queer tricks with time, where
there is unceasing flux and change,
and where man seems less than
nothing. And so to us the things
which for centuries have been in-
vested with the sanctity of re-
vealed truth are now obsolete,
meaningless beliefs—mere phrases.
Man appears as an insignificant by-
product, with not a jot of scientific
proof to support any of his puff-
ed-up pride in himself as the sole ex-
planation for the existence of the
universe.

Only A Mask.

We have suddenly had thrust be-
fore us incontrovertible proof of
our physical pettiness, and we make
the mistake of thinking the same
proof serves to nullify the efforts
of our mental and spiritual life, so
that there are moments when nothing
seems worth while. The bot-
tom has been knocked out of life;
but, because we are not going to
sit and whimper in a corner, we
put on a mask of cynicism or hide
our real feelings behind a show of
blasé indifference. We are angered
by insistence on dogma and the
stress of the letter rather than
the spirit, but never before have
you felt so deeply or so sincerely
about the great issues of human
life.

Naturally we are bewildered—
moons of progress have been
crammed into the last few years,
till our minds turn dizzy and re-
fuse to grasp after the meaning
of it all; in mere self-defence we
hasten behind our barricades of
mockery or boredom; but any brief
examination of the books we are
writing or the questions we are
asking should be enough to show
how earnest we are in groping after
a solution to the riddle.

I do not want to deny the un-
orthodoxy of our ideas about
morality; but who is to blame if we
express them a little crudely—
sometimes offensively? New-found
freedom is always liable to abuse,
and in the reaction from the
hypocrisy an stifling repression of
the half-century before the war
we may have swung too far in the
direction of out-spokenness. But,
at least, we are not afraid of the
truth; we believe that values are
not static; they must change as
civilisation changes. Axiomatic,
one would think. Yet to-day, be-
cause we refuse to pay idle
lip-service to threadbare con-
ventions and taboos which have
long since lost what meaning they
ever had, sober age abandons us
in despair, with a woeful prophecy
of damnation of its lips.

And so our voices get a little shrill
as we try to shout down the chorus
of misrepresentation, and our tem-
pers fray and we say more than we
really mean in an endeavour to stir
our critics out of their complacent
self-righteousness.

The Major Sin.

Injustice and cruelty are the
major sins in our eyes, and for us
there is no greater crime than the
restricting of a man's personal
freedom, or the warring of his
nature merely to place him at
ease into his place as an unim-
portant cog in the social machine.
We insist that a man's individuality
has an inviolable right to develop
in its own way, provided its un-
checked growth offers no menace to
the happiness of his fellows.

On the whole, I think we are
better than our predecessors.

There are so many of our critics,
who are for ever looking backwards,
with vain regrets for the passing
of an epoch in which they felt at
home, instead of trying to adjust
themselves to the changed con-
ditions of life; and to them we must
necessarily seem completely alien
in temperament and ways of
thought. But if they will only lay
aside their hostility and realise that
we are timorous and a little shy,
that our noisy self-assertion covers
up a great deal of hesitant uncer-
tainty, and that, after all, we are
so young that we have not yet
acquired sufficient sense of humour
to save us from extravagance, they
may see that we have a certain new
courage, a frankness, an originality
and independence of approach to
life which more than compensate
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"Boy, I'm going to find a job, work hard, and save so I can
go back home in a yellow roadster."

LIMITATION OF
ARMAMENTS.IMPORTANT MEETING
TO-MORROW.

BRITISH HOPES.

London, Feb. 23.
The General Committee of the Disarmament Conference will meet to-morrow at Geneva under the chairmanship of Mr. Arthur Henderson. The New French Prime Minister, M. Tardieu, has informed the British Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, of his intention of being present. It is understood that Signor Grandi and the heads of several other delegations will also attend.

Sir John Simon, who, in the absence of the Prime Minister, is acting as head of the British delegation to the Conference, left London this afternoon for Geneva, and will be present. He will remain in Switzerland until after the special meeting, on March 3rd, of the League Assembly which has been called to consider the Sino-Japanese situation. It is anticipated that the highly important debates on political issues that will come before the Disarmament Conference will take place in this General Committee, including, for example, the security questions raised by the French Memorandum. The work of the whole Conference will be co-ordinated by the fact that the President is the Chairman of this General Committee.

Budgetary Limitation.
The other committee that will probably be set up by the Disarmament Conference will provide work for specialists on land, sea and air armaments, and another committee will consider the question of reduction of armaments by means of budgetary limitation.

The view of the British Government in regard to budgetary limitation is that it should afford a valuable cross-check on other methods of limitation, although it is recognised that many complicated factors would have to be adjusted for its proper working. Conscript armies, for example, are less expensive to maintain than professional armies, and considerations of this kind must obviously be taken into account.

On the other hand, budgetary limitation affords a useful means of restricting certain kinds of armaments, such, for instance, as the so-called pocket battleship, which although it might conform to tonnage and other material limitations, is expensive to build.

The British Government is approaching the work of the disarmament conference with a determination to achieve the largest possible measure of success, and would regard it as a great misfortune if it failed to achieve concrete results.—*British Wireless.*

MINERS' HOURS
CONVENTION.BRITAIN FAVOURS
RATIFICATION.

London, Feb. 23.
Answering a Parliamentary question to-day, the Secretary for Mines, Mr. Isaac Foot, stated that the Government were favourably disposed towards the International Convention for miners' hours.

Detailed application of some of its provisions to British coal mines presented certain problems which were under consideration. As soon as these points had been disposed of the Government would be prepared to ratify the Convention, provided about six countries would do so at the same time.

Answering a further question, he said the Government held that the question of simultaneous ratification should be dealt with before the subsidiary difficulties were brought under consideration.—*British Wireless.*

MISLEADING TEA
LABELS.POSSIBILITY OF
PROSECUTION.

London, Feb. 23.
Misleading tea labels, implying that the contents are of Empire origin, whereas they are partly foreign-grown, were the subject of a question raised in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, replying, said that he was unable to recommend an order under the Merchandise Marks Act in the case of blended teas owing to technical difficulties.

He pointed out, however, that the use of misleading labels was an offence and the interested parties could prosecute if they thought fit.—*Reuter.*



Picture shows some of the Japanese Marines, who volunteered for an attack on the Woosung village, awaiting the signal to move off by motor trucks. Travelling along the darkened roads to their objective, accompanied by armoured cars, the marines, it will be recalled, launched a determined attack on the Woosung village while Japanese aeroplanes poured a heavy bombardment into the fortifications. The objective remains untaken to-day.

CHINESE REPULSE
ATTACK.JAPANESE EFFORT.
FAILS.

HEAVY LOSSES.

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 7.30 p.m.
The Japanese command brought in all its armaments this morning in making the third day's desperate attempt to capture Kiangwan village. Artillery, armoured cars, aeroplanes, tanks and smoke screens, and finally infantry, were all used, but failed to dislodge the Chinese troops.

One Japanese battery stands on Kiangwan gulf course, and nearby is a bullet-riddled notice board which belongs to more peaceful times. The notice warns off sportsmen, and ironically announces "no shooting allowed."

After heavy shelling with six-inch guns, the Japanese planes poured across the artillery emplacements over Kiangwan, and sickening explosions filled the air with masses of earth and debris. One again the Chinese anti-aircraft guns barked vainly, being unable to get the range of the Japanese planes.

Attack Fails.

The Japanese then dropped smoke shells, and under a heavy smoke screen their tanks and armoured cars moved out, with infantry in their wake. The Japanese infantry fearlessly rushed up to the Chinese trenches, and the Chinese troops let fly a merciless machine-gun and rifle fire, and by the time the Japanese arrived at the Chinese trenches their lines were badly thinned.

The Chinese were ready with the bayonet, and the slaughter was terrific. The Chinese did not give way an inch, and the Japanese retreat was ordered leaving "no man's land" smothered with casualties.

Towards noon the fighting lessened, and the Japanese Red Cross went out to bring in the toll of the Japanese unsuccessful attack.

As they arrived at the dressing stations, it was seen that at least half were dead.

It was too dangerous to bring in these lying along the Chinese trenches, and this afternoon scores of bodies still remain.—*Reuter.*

China's Heroic Warriors.

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 7.14 p.m.
The hospital here which has only been open for thirty-six hours is already a terrible scene, with wounded Chinese youths, some not more than 15 or 16, after the terrific battles of last night at Chapel and Kiangwan. Two hundred beds are all filled with wounded, chiefly by shells, their faces horribly mutilated and streaked with shrapnel gashes.

However, the general spirit, when a Reuter representative interviewed the slightly wounded who could talk, was found to be a unanimous "We will die unafraid for freedom."

One youth told a thrilling tale of how yesterday evening he and his comrades, a hundred strong, were stationed in trenches a mile long, and held the place against heavy Japanese shell fire, and five bombing planes; then four hundred Japanese infantry advanced, and an hour's terrible hand-to-hand battle ensued, as a result of which, when eventually forced to give up the position, only six Chinese survivors answered the roll call.—*Reuter.*

Japanese Civilians To Leave.

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 6.18 p.m.
The chairman of the Shanghai Japanese Residents' Association to-day, after consultation with

INDUSTRIES FAIR.

VISITED BY MEMBERS OF
ROYAL FAMILY.

London, Feb. 23.
The Queen, the Duke and Duchess of York and other members of the Royal Family to-day paid a long visit to the Olympia branch of the British Industries Fair.—*British Wireless.*

The Japanese Consul General, issued a statement advising all Japanese residents of Shanghai, men, women and children, to evacuate for Japan, because Chinese shells are now frequently falling in Hongkew and constitute a great danger to life.—*Reuter.*

Air Base Destroyed.

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 6.08 p.m.
A second Japanese air raid on Hongkew aerodrome was carried out at 11.20 this morning, a further eleven bombs being dropped, this completing the destruction of the Chinese hangars.

Only the walls are left standing; but it is authoritatively learned that no Chinese planes were within.

The Japanese naval authorities this afternoon issued a statement that their planes this morning destroyed the Chinese air base at Soochow.—*Reuter.*

Chinese Concentration.

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 6 p.m.
Artillery fire was heard in town shortly after five o'clock this evening, and it is believed it will be heavy to-night, with the Chinese positions in Chapel prominent.

I am reliably informed of a concentration of Chinese troops in the Lungchow and Siewawai areas. Japanese planes flew there this morning and dropped several bombs.

I am also reliably informed that an armoured train is stationed at Jessfield, commanded by a Russian Colonel, well equipped with ammunition.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

A Bomb Explosion.

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 6 p.m.
At 3.30 p.m. to-day an explosion occurred at the entrance to Ching Yuan Lee alleyway, in North Szechuen Road, approximately thirty-five yards north of Tica-dong Road, on the west side of the street.

It is learned that a bomb constructed of a piece of 5½ inch iron piping, capped at both ends and filled with explosives was responsible for the explosion, which caused considerable damage to the stock of a picture framer, damage to the windows and wall of the Er Loong paper hang at 61 North Szechuen Road, and damage to a barber's sign near the scene of the blast, which is in the vicinity of the post office.

An examination of the bomb reveals that it is identical with the one exploded at the M. B. K. entrance on February 18.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Another Version.

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 6.33 p.m.
At 3.30 a bomb, probably an infernal machine with a time fuse, exploded near the General Post Office.

The post office was undamaged, but half a shop front opposite was blown in.

A Japanese constable of the Shanghai Municipal Police was injured.—*Reuter.*

THE VICTORY
CELEBRATION.

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spied by a policeman. The leader of the procession was arrested. He protested he was not guilty of anything but a patriotic desire to join in the general celebrations.

Mr. Reynolds informed his Worship that when questioned yesterday after his arrest, the accused stated that he was an unemployed seaman.

The question was again put to the accused, and he informed the Court that he was merely a lawbreaker on a Wuchow river boat. The purpose of the rattle was to attract customers to his wares. He added: "I had assumed that liberty of speech was permitted in this Colony, and I therefore thought there would be no harm in expressing our sentiments."

Change of Clothing.

Mr. Reynolds stated that yesterday the defendant was attired in European clothing. To-day he had changed into his own native attire. Mr. Reynolds added that he would want to make further enquiries and suggested an increase of bail to \$100.

In remanding the defendant for forty-eight hours, his Worship said it was to enable the police to make further enquiries. He himself was not satisfied with the explanation, and would want to know more about accused.

HONGKONG TRADE
RELAPSE.JAPANESE BOYCOTT
EFFECT.

According to the official returns compiled by the Statistical Branch of the Imports & Exports Department, the trade of the Colony suffered a relapse in the month of January, the total value of imports amounting to \$54 millions (the lowest figure since October 1930), while exports totalled \$38.3 millions (the lowest figure since the short month of February 1931).

As compared with January of last year imports declined by \$5.6 millions, while exports fell \$9.7 millions.

Part of the declines in the trade of the Colony during January was due to the Chinese boycott of Japanese goods which continued with increasing intensity, the total imports from Japan amounting to only \$1.3 millions as compared with \$5.2 millions in January 1931; piece goods declining by \$1.9 millions and foodstuffs by \$1.1 millions.

SILVER RATHER
STEADIER.NEW YORK MARKET
FIRM.

Silver is rather stronger to-day, advances being reported both from London and New York. The local dollar, however, remains unchanged, with practically nothing passing.

In London, silver advanced 1.8th spot and forward. China bought, and the Continent bought and sold. Sellers held off. After the official fixing, the market ruled quietly steady.

New York reports a rise of three quarters, with the market firm. The cross-rate continues to improve, the latest quotation being 3.47½.

RADIO
BROADCASTRECORDED CONCERT FROM
THE STUDIO.

By Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.S.).
6.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.
6.00-6.30 p.m. Children's Programme.
7.00-11.00 p.m. European Programme of Victor Records, etc.
7.00 p.m. Mail Notice, etc.
7.03-7.52 p.m. Variety.

Band-The Princetown Football Medley.

Band-(a) The Orange and the Black

(b) Old Nassau.

Princetown University Band. 20355.

Humorous Song-Lie's a Good Man to Have Around.

Humorous Song-I'm the Last of the Red Hot Mamas.

Sophia Tucker. 21994.

Organ Solo-The Prisoner's Song.

Organ Solo-After I Say I'm Sorry.

Jesse Crawford. 19980.

Humorous Monologue-The Trick Boys.

Marshall Cole. 22305.

Instrumental-Kuala-Medley.

Instrumental-Woonahole-Medley.

Royal Hawaiian Trio. 20281.

Song-The Rogue Song.

Song-The Narrative.

Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone). 1440.

Instrumental-Herd Girl's Dream.

Instrumental-Happy Days.

Neapolitan Trio. 19872.

8.00 p.m. (Local Time and Weather Report).

7.52-8.33 p.m. Operatic.

Cavalleria Rusticana-Selection (Mancogni).

Creator's Band. 35815.

Aida-There, Where the Virgin Forests Rise (Verdi).

Aida-Again I See Thee (Verdi).

Elizabeth Reiberg and Giacomo Lauri-Volpi. 8160.

Pagliacci-Fantasy (Leoncavallo arr. Tavan).

Mark Weber and His Orch. V-60017.

Samson et Dalila-Is Your God Not on High? (Saint-Saens).

Samson et Dalila-Fause, My Brothers (Saint-Saens).

Giovanni Martinelli (Tenor). 8160.

8.33-9.03 p.m. A Concert.

Song-Trees (Kilmer-Rasbach).

Song-By the Waters of Minnetonka (Laurance).

Ernestine Schumann-Heink (Contralto). 1198.

Piano Solo-Dance of the Gnomes (Liszt).

Piano Solo-Étude Tableaux (Rachmaninov).

Sergei Rachmaninov. 1184.

Song-Mother, My Dear (Nolen-Treharne).

Song-A Brown Bird Singing (Barrie-Haydn Wood).

John McCormack (Tenor). 1137.

Violin Solo-Souvenir Poétique (Fibich).

Violin Solo-To a Wild Rose (MacDowell).

Michel Guskoff. 19892.

9.03-11.00 p.m. Dance Programme.

Fox Trot-I'm for You a Hundred Per Cent.

Fox Trot-That's What I Like About You. 22838.

Fox Trot-Keep a Song in Your Soul.

Fox Trot-The River and Me. 22614.

Fox Trot-Freddy the Freshman.

Fox Trot-Now's the Time to Fall in Love. 22805.

Fox Trot-Home.

Fox Trot-I Promise You. 21938.

Fox Trot-I Should Have Known Better.

Fox Trot-You Try Somebody Else. 22864.

Waltz-On a Little Street in Honolulu.

Waltz-All Through the Night. 22504.

Fox Trot-River Stay 'Way From my Door.

Fox Trot-Was it Wrong. 22831.

Fox Trot-Were You Sincere?

Fox Trot-I've Found What I Wanted in You. 22663.

Fox Trot-And Then Your Lips Met Mine.

Fox Trot-You're Simply Delish. 22582.

Fox Trot-I Love Love.

Fox Trot-I'll Never Leave You. 22567.

Waltz-Call me Darling.

Waltz-When the World Was New. 22840.

Fox Trot-I'm Learning a Lot From You.

Fox Trot-A Big Bouquet for You. 22510.

Fox Trot-When the Shepherd Leads the Sheep Back Home.

Fox Trot-Under Your Window Tonight. 22705.

Fox Trot-How the Time Can Fly.

Fox Trot-June Time is Love Time. 22740.

Fox Trot-When I Can't be With You.

Fox Trot-Come Easy, Go Easy, Love. 22770.

Fox Trot-Dancing in the Dark.

Fox Trot-High and Low. 22708.

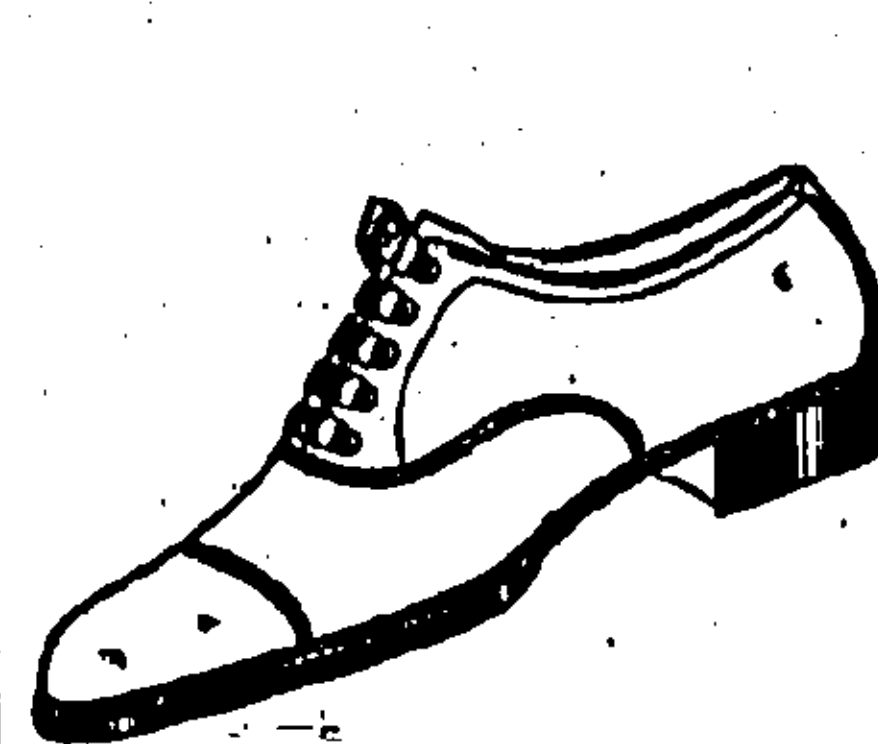
Waltz-I'm Drifting Back to Dreamland.

Waltz-Let's Forgive and Forget. 21068.

11.00 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.

11.03 p.m. Close Down.

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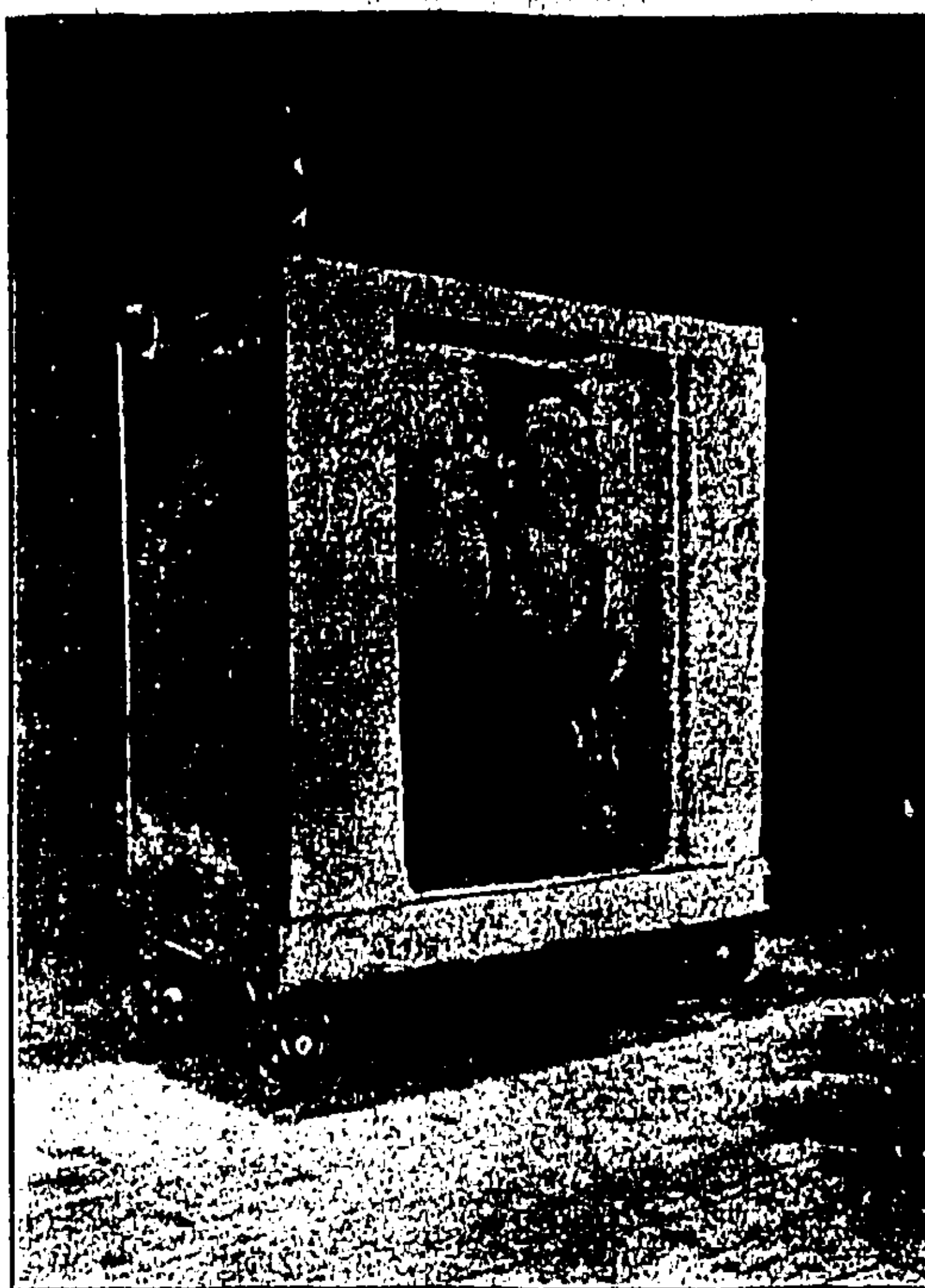
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MACHINE-GUN RULE.

"ALL QUIET" STATEMENT AFTER DAY OF STRIKES.

London, Jan. 24.
A revolutionary strike which broke out in Barcelona and other Spanish towns had been temporarily quelled by the authorities last night.

After street fighting, in which three people were killed and a number injured, machine-guns have been mounted at strategic points throughout Barcelona, and the Minister of the Interior states that the city is now quiet.

At Malaga, says Reuter, work has been resumed, except on the quays. The strike at Corunna has ended and at Manresa work is being resumed.

In Seville the authorities, as a measure of precaution, have set up military posts on the terraces dominating the town, while three aeroplanes patrolled over the city. Communication between towns has in some cases been rendered difficult because the revolutionaries have torn up railway tracks and cut telegraph and telephone wires.

Barcelona, the centre of the disturbance, suffered most severely. All trams, buses and trains were stopped, and many English families living in the suburbs were stranded in the city.

By way of precaution, police are patrolling the streets with rifles ready, and all approaches to the city are guarded.

MYSTERY SPEED CAR.

AERO-ENGINE BRITISH RACER.

Spectators at Brooklands will shortly be thrilled by the appearance there of an entirely new car of which enormous speeds are expected.

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A powerful aero engine will be fitted to the new car, and John Cobb, who so often drove cars for the late J. G. Parry Thomas, has been chosen to race in it.

SHIELD SOCCER.

JUNIOR MATCHES FOR SATURDAY.

The following are the fixtures for the Junior Shield matches to be played on Saturday:

R.A.F. v Navy. — Recreation ground; referee, Mr. Lawrence.
12th Bat. v R.A.O.C. — Sookun-poo ground; referee, Mr. Ford.
Kowloon v S.W.B. — Kowloon ground; referee, Mr. Pooley.
Kick-off at 2.45 p.m. sharp. Extra time will be played if necessary.

The Senior Division Shield matches are postponed, and League matches will be played.

TWO DEAD IN BIG FIRE.

AGED MEN TRAPPED IN BLAZING HOME.

London, Jan. 24.
Two men lost their lives and two others were injured in a serious outbreak of fire which occurred in a large model lodging-house at Hamilton, Lanarkshire, late last night.

Great bravery was shown by two police-constables, named Crichton and Ross, in rescuing the inmates of the home, most of whom were aged men, and one of whom was a cripple.

They dashed again and again up the blazing stairs of the building, bringing down the aged men, most of whom had been asleep, in their night clothes.

Constable Crichton, collapsed at the end of his rescue activities. One of the injured men, William Robertson, jumped from the third story of this building when he was trapped. He appeared at a window, shouting to the crowd below: "For God's sake help me. This is terrible."

The crowd obtained a blanket, which they held out, and told Robertson to jump. He did so, but unfortunately missed the blanket and landed full force in the roadway.

The fire spread with amazing rapidity, and in a short space of time had the whole building in its grip.

The manager of the establishment said:

"When the alarm was raised I rushed up the stairs and tried to warn the boarders, but, as many of them were deaf, I was considerably handicapped."

"It was an awful ordeal. These helpless men ran about like lost sheep, some being unaware of the exact cause of the panic."

CASINOS FOR BRITISH COAST RESORTS?

SUGGESTION AT SEE-BRITAIN- FIRST CONFERENCE.

Large casinos, not necessarily where gambling took place, but where, cinemas, plays, bands, competitions, sun bathing, etc., could give visitors a wide choice of entertainment.

This suggestion for making home resorts attractive was made by Mr. Graham Moffatt at a weekend See-Britain-First Conference at the Palace Hotel, Paignton, Devon.

A letter from Mr. Cyril Maude, the actor-manager, contained a similar suggestion.

The conference, it is hoped, will have a far-reaching effect on health resorts all over the country by supporting the campaign to induce the British to winter in Britain.

There are about 150 delegates from various home resorts, together with eminent doctors, medical officers of health, theatrical producers, railway and travel officials, restaurant and hotel proprietors and others.

Mr. P. R. Chappell said that they had to make the country health-resort-minded, make the resorts more attractive and get Dora restrictions removed.

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"RICH" FOR A FEW HOURS.

LEGACY STORY PROVES TO BE MISTAKE.

Brighton, Jan. 24.
Fortune has played a shabby trick on a Brighton barmaid who to-day became rich and poor again in the space of a few short hours. She is Mrs. Hilda Borles, a thirty-seven-year-old widow, who lives in Albion Cottages, Brighton.

This morning she was dreaming of a big hotel at Lucerne, together with a fortune which she thought might have been left by a relative. But to-night she learned that the whole story was without foundation.

Mrs. Borles this morning received an inquiry from abroad regarding her husband, who died twelve years ago. Her husband's father was the owner of a hotel in Switzerland and she gained the impression that the inquiry must mean a legacy.

Within an hour it became

rumoured that she had inherited a huge fortune.

What actually happened was that the manager of a hotel where her husband was formerly employed received a letter from Mr. Borles's sister in Geneva. The sister was apparently ignorant of her brother's death and asked the manager to furnish her with the address so that she could invite him to Switzerland.

But although there is a sad barmaid in Brighton to-night, she is still optimistic that one day good fortune may come her way.

'QUAKE SCARE IN ENGLAND.**HOUSES ROCKED BY A SERIES OF TREMORS.**

London, Jan. 24.
Houses were rocked and considerable alarm was created by a series of violent earth tremors felt over a wide area around Manchester yesterday.

Shocks lasting for several seconds roused people from their beds, and in some cases property was slightly damaged.

At least five distinct tremors were felt at Swinton and Monton, and one Monton resident stated that his house was shaken to such an extent that plates were thrown from a shelf and smashed.

Other places at which shocks were experienced included: Urmston, Clifton, Worsley, Lower Broughton and Eccles.

Mr. A. Banks, of Clonville-road, told a reporter: "There was a loud rumble and the house seemed to rock as though it was in the grip of a giant. Ten minutes later there was another rumble, followed by a second shock lasting several seconds."

Mr. W. Firth, of Tolson-street, Lower Broughton, said that when the tremors started the window panes rattled and he thought there was a gale springing up. Later he noticed a bed vibrating, and a door rattled loudly as though someone were trying to enter.

Fit Substence?

Many reports from places in the area state that the shocks were so severe that furniture rocked violently.

Yet at Stonchurst College Observatory, a few miles away, there was no record, and Mr. J. J. Shaw, the West Bromwich seismologist, stated that his instruments had also been unaffected.

Father Rowlands, of Stonchurst College, attributed the tremors to a confluence of surface subsidence.

In May last year Manchester was the centre of an earth tremor which shook East Lancashire so severely that people were flung out of bed.

PLACATING THE EVIL SPIRIT.**BURNT OFFERINGS IN FORTUNE TELLING CHARGE.**

Ammanford, Jan. 28.

How a burnt offering was made to placate an evil spirit which was said to stand between a Carmarthenshire farmer and fortune from a rich uncle abroad was explained to the magistrate at Llan-sawel, Carmarthenshire, yesterday.

Lily Jones, aged 50, and her daughter, Violet Jones, 22, both of the New Bungalows, Mountain Hare (Merthyr Tydfil), were charged with "pretending to tell fortunes so as to mislead his Majesty's subjects."

The mother was fined 30s.; the daughter, who had pleaded not guilty, was discharged.

The farmer, Morris Jones, of Pen-y-grug, said the women drove up in a saloon motor-car.

The older woman, he said, told him that he had a relative abroad who was going to leave him a large sum of money.

He was invited to pass into a crystal. The woman wrapped the crystal in a black cloth, on which she sprinkled salt, and after an incantation he saw the words, "Overcome evil by good." Looking again he saw the figures £500.

The woman said an evil spirit stood in the way and a burnt offering would have to be made.

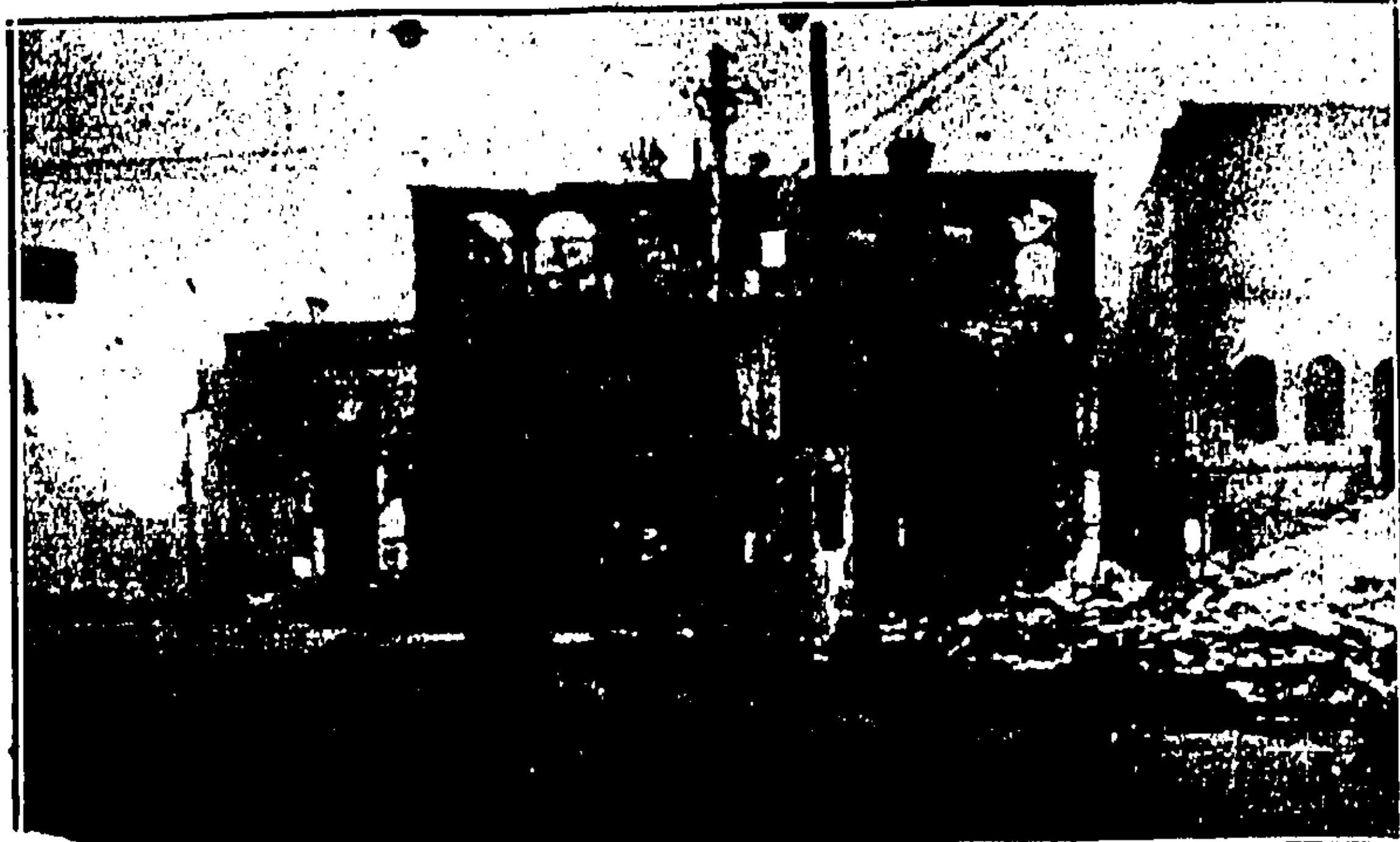
At her bidding, said the farmer, he produced a £1 note and a half-sovereign, which were wrapped with great ceremonial and deposited on a plate, over which were drawn two strips of paper in the form of a cross. The offering was then placed in the kitchen fire.

A charm was produced and the farmer was bidden to wrap it in money, not less than £5, and conceal it in his bed.

On a subsequent visit by the women, while rites of a further offering of £2 were being performed, two policemen emerged.

The burnt offering was snatched from the fire and was found to contain only an empty cigarette packet, while the charm was a piece of tinfoil.

The £1 notes were found on the floor at the feet of the two women.



The gaunt ruins of a once-imposing building in the Chapel district.

WE ARE NOT AFRAID TO THINK FOR OURSELVES.

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for the loss of the comfortable habit of tacit acquiescence in current conventions which distinguished their own youth.

IN DEFENCE OF BYSTANDING.

By A. P. GARLAND.

AS a bystander, with some pride in my work, I resent the slur that was cast the other day on bystanding by a writer who complained that no effort was made to stop a street affray.

Why should a bystander interfere? His motto is the same as that of the faithful old clown in all stories about "circuses." "The show must go on."

Take the case of the bull that ran amok in a Bedfordshire town and, as the story went, "scattered the bystanders."

That is nonsense. The bull did not scatter the bystanders. They scattered themselves.

They saw that the bull, for reasons best known to himself, wanted a clear field in which to carry out certain manoeuvres. So they gave him one. And if they did it in a hurry it was because the bull was also in a hurry.

A little touch like that shows breeding.

Again, when a man's bowler blows off his head and tries to commit suicide under a taxicab, the genuine bystander will never make a frantic dive to save it from destruction. He watches the drama with deep interest, but he keeps on his own side of the footlights.

The Detached Attitude. It is this detached, non-committal attitude of the bystander that makes him so entrancing a feature of the social landscape.

One day, for instance, last summer, a Bolshevik orator, whose features were much enhanced with reddish vegetation, was lecturing in Hyde Park on the Five-Year Plan. At the end of his impassioned address he asked if anybody had any question to ask. Thereupon a middle-aged bystander, held up his hand like a schoolboy and said, "Did you ever do anything for that nose of yours?"

Few people realise to what extent bystanders act as a stimulus to industry and high endeavour.

Take the case of such road-repairers as forgo that hideous automatic drill with its machine-gun accompaniment and rely on the old-fashioned sledge-hammer and wedge.

When bystanders are around, watch the graceful stance and poise of the hammerman, the careless accuracy of his swings and the certainty of his aim. He is trying to please his public, and good work results.

But if there are no bystanders he adopts a listless air, his timing is far from good and only too often the hammer lands on the knuckles of the man holding the wedges, making the latter regret bitterly that he had not started life in the cooked meat industry.

Similarly, a bill-poster, under observation by bystanders, rises to heights of great artistry. His colour scheme becomes more daring, he tries for a little chiaroscuro and his brushwork is bolder and firmer. Sometimes, in fact he becomes so lost in his work that he falls off the ladder. That is an unforgettable moment.

At the Shop Window. Likewise a window dresser in a departmental store finds much inspiration in the presence of bystanders. Glibby's stock of Gent's Winter Pyjamas never were displayed so dramatically as one day when eight fat faces, the property of some keen bystanders, were pressed against the window. And Mr. Spaffo, of Jim's and Carboy's, who is temperamental, simply refuses to make a start with the crepe de Chine until his crop of bystanders have rallied round—which they always do.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.**OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.**

No change, and only two sales officially reported.

Sales.

Hongkong Bank, 1350 s.

Chartered Bank, 112 n.

Mercantile A. and B., 118 n.

East Asia, 127½ n.

Buyers.

Union Insurance, 1305.

Hongkong Bank, 1350 s.

Chartered Bank, 112 n.

Mercantile A. and B., 118 n.

East Asia, 127½ n.

Sellers.

Hongkong Bank, 1350 s.

Chartered Bank, 112 n.

Mercantile A. and B., 118 n.

East Asia, 127½ n.

Exchange Rates.

Previous Day. Yesterday.

Paris, 88. 88½.

Geneva, 17.75. 17.75.

Berlin, 14.67½. 14.67½.

Oslo, 18. 18.

Helsingfors, 220. 220.

Athens, 220. 220.

Buenos Aires, 39. 39.

Shanghai, 1/11.9/16. 1/11.9/16.

New York, 3.46½. 3.47.

Amsterdam, 8.56½. 8.56.

Vienna, 32. 32.

Madrid, 24. 24.

Rio de Janeiro, 1/5.13/16. 1/5.13/16.

Brussels, 24. 24.

Milan, 66. 66.

Stockholm, 18. 18.

Lisbon, 116. 116.

Prague, 109. 109.

Rio, 4. 4.

Bombay, 1/6.5/32. 1/6.5/32.

Yokohama, 1/11. 1/11.

Montevideo, 3. 3.

Montreal, 3. 3.

Silver (spot), 19.13/16. 19.13/16.

(Forward) 20. 20.

British Wireless.

SHARE PRICES.**TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.**

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, 1350 s.

Chartered Bank, 112 n.

Mercantile A. and B., 118 n.

East Asia, 127½ n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., 1350 n.

Union Ins., 1305 b.

China Underwriters, 4.62½ n.

China Fire, 590 n.

H.K. Fire Ins., 1250 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, 226 n.

H. K. Steamships, 223 n.

Indo-China, (Pref.) 32 n.

Union Waterboats, 225 n.

Mining.

Pengueste, 11.75 n.

Kailans, 25/- n.

Shui Explorations, 2.10 n.

Rauba, 39 n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, 154½ n.

Whampoa Docks, 229 s.

South China Motors 10 n.

Providents (old), 4.90 sa.

Hongkows, 220 n.

New Engineers, 13. 6½ n.

Shanghai Docks, 13. 9½ n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, 14½ n.

Shanghai Cottons, 13. 80½ n.

Zoon Sings, 11½ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H.K. Hotel (old) 113 b.

New Lands, (new) 113 n.

H. K. Lands, 376 n.

Shai Lands, 13. 30 n.

Humphreys' (old) 119½ n.

Realities, 11.65 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, 220 n.

Peak Trams, (old), 15.60 n.

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Star Ferries, 94 n.

China Lights, 321 n.

H. K. Electric, 275 n.

Macao Electric, 223 n.

Telephones, 243 n.

China Buses, 13. 16 n.

Singapore Tractors, 3/- n.

Industrials.

Malabons, 338 n.

Canton Ice, 35 n.

Cements (com.), 16.85 n.

Ropes, 16.40 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, 229½ n.

Watsons, 10.60 n.

Ler A. Wings, 11 n.

Lane Crawfords, 36 n.

Mackintosh, 119 b.

Sinceres, 33.60 n.

Powells, 33.60 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, 19½ b.

Entertainments (old) 10½ n.

Constructions (old) 15.15 n.

S. C. Enterprises 10 n.

B. Ind. G. & Bonds, 58.8 n.

Loans, 33.60 n.

Constructions (new), 17.75 n.

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Foreign Exchange and opened Banking business transacted.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

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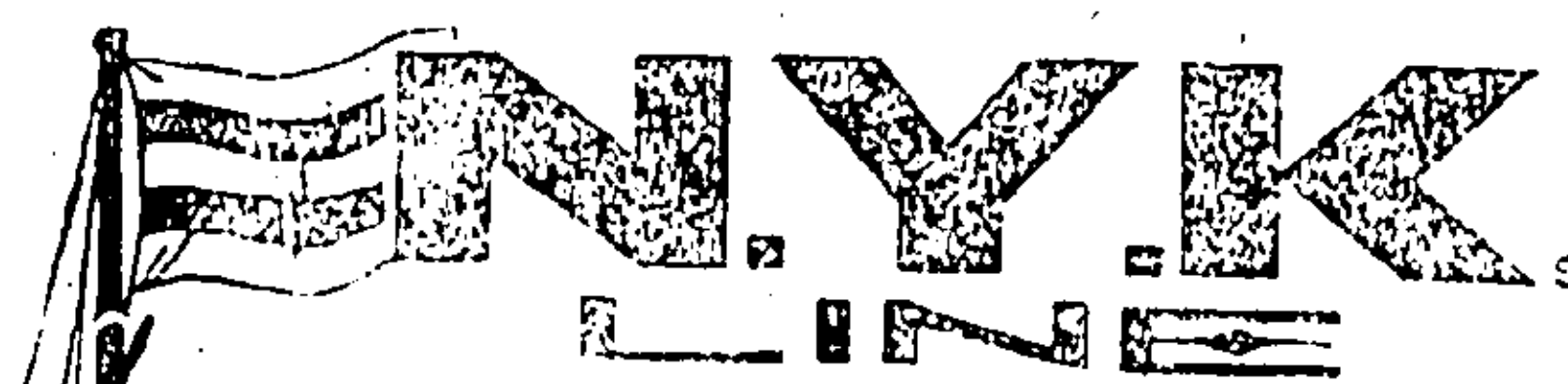
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LOCAL CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS-K.C.C. MATCH LEFT DRAWN.

The match between the Volunteers and the Kowloon Cricket Club, which was continued yesterday, ended in a draw.

The K.C.C. resumed their first innings yesterday, and were all dismissed for twenty runs short of their opponents' score. E. F. Fincher was undefeated with 52 runs.

The Volunteers declared their second innings closed after five wickets had fallen for 145 runs. Beck was the top-scorer with 48, and Owen Hughes got 31.

The K.C.C. had scored 128 for the loss of four wickets when stumps were drawn. Mackay scored 44 before he was run out, and E. F. Fincher was again undefeated with 37 to his credit. Scores:

Volunteers.—1st Innings.—153.	K.C.C. 1st Innings.
E. C. Fincher, c. Wolf, b. Owen Hughes	9
F. E. Lawrence, b. Owen Hughes	16
E. F. Fincher, not out	52
N. A. E. Mackay, b. Beck	1
F. E. Skinner, c. Griffiths, b. Owen Hughes	2
G. Lee, b. McLellan	13
G. Goodwin, c. Folley, b. Wolf	20
G. C. Burnett, b. Owen Hughes	0
H. Hampton, lbw. Beck	0
R. G. U. Mond, b. Beck	2
J. C. Lyal, lbw. Beck	2
Extras	6

Total 133

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. C. Beck	12.4	40	4	4
H. Owen Hughes	14	2	14	4
F. Baker	4	5	6	1
D. McLellan	7	1	10	1
Wolf	3	1	10	1

Volunteers.—2nd Innings.

H. Owen Hughes, b. Burnett	31
E. J. R. Mitchell, c. E. C. Fincher, b. Lyal	12
W. D. Folley, b. Goodwin	19
A. C. Beck, b. Burnett	38
R. H. Griffiths, not out	18
D. McLellan, b. Burnett	0
F. Baker, not out	13
Extras	4

Total (for 5 wickets, dec.) 115

Wolf, Kilbee, Davies and Richardson did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Burnett	9	1	15	3
Goodwin	9	1	14	1
Lyal	7	1	11	1
Skinner	1	1	21	1

K.C.C. 2nd Innings.

N. A. E. Mackay, run out	14
F. E. Skinner, b. Owen Hughes	1
E. F. Fincher, not out	37
A. C. Beck, b. McLellan	2
E. C. Fincher, b. Wolf	2
G. C. Burnett, not out	13
Extras	6

Total (for 4 wickets) 128

Goodwin, Hampton, Mond, Lyal and Lawrence did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Beck	10	2	27	1
Owen Hughes	8	1	21	1
McLellan	8	1	20	1
Baker	3	1	16	1
Wolf	6	1	11	1

LEAGUE CRICKET.

Indian R.C. Teams for Saturday.

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club 1st eleven in a League match against the Kowloon Cricket Club 1st eleven at Sokunpoo on Saturday: A. A. Rumbhah (Capt.), P. D. Pereira, S. R. Karmali, A. H. Rumbhah, A. H. Madar, S. A. Ismail, O. Ismail, A. K. Mino, A. H. Mino, J. S. A. Curran and H. D. Rumbhah. Reserve, "M. of Arellu."

Indian R.C. Second.

The following will represent the Indian R.C. 2nd XI in a League match against the Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI at King's Park on Saturday, February 27, at 2 p.m. (sharp).—M. R. Abbas (Capt.), A. R. Abbas, F. M. el Arellu, J. T. Barma, A. K. Ismail, S. Ismail, M. P. Madar, K. Nazarin, A. M. Rumbhah, A. H. Sufud and A. S. Sufud.

KOWLOON MARATHON.

EVENT TO BE HELD ON MARCH 14.

Arrangements are in hand for the annual Kowloon Marathon Race which will be run on Monday, March 14. This race is organised by St. Andrew's Club, and is open to all Europeans in the Colony and members of the Club. The course is approximately 31.6 miles, and starts in Nathan Road outside St. Andrew's Church. It runs in a northerly direction along Nathan Road to Waterloo Road; along Waterloo Road, Argyle Street, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City Road to Chatham Road, Salisbury Road and back into Nathan Road, finishing at the Church. Details are not yet complete, but will be announced shortly.

BODIKER'S TENNIS TITLES.

WINS THREE EVENTS IN SHAMEEN.

In perfect weather on Sunday last, the finals of the Shameen Tennis Club championships were played off, when G. Bodiker won both the open and handicap men's singles events.

Both contests produced keen struggles and the high standard of play was enjoyed by a large gathering of Shameen residents.

At the close, the prizes were presented by Mrs. Herbert Phillips, Major Wilson, Secretary of the Club, asked Mrs. Phillips to accept a memento in the shape of a silver flower vase. He added the Club's good wishes on her impending departure for home.

The complete results of the tournament were:

Ladies Singles Championship.
 Won by Mrs. C. E. Watson.
 Runner Up Mrs. Madam Lafford.

Men's Singles Championship.
 Won by Mr. G. Bodiker.
 Runner Up Mr. G. R. More.

Men's Doubles Championship.
 Winners G. Bodiker & C. E. Watson.
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Mixed Doubles Handicap.
 Winners Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Watson.

Runners Up
 Miss Fulton & M. T. Rankin.

Ladies Singles Handicap.
 Winner Up Mrs. Madam Lafford.

Men's Singles Handicap.
 Winner Mr. G. Bodiker.
 Runner Up Mr. E. Ott.

Ladies Doubles Handicap.
 Winners Mrs. Watson & Miss Fulton.

Runners Up
 Mrs. Wolcott & Madam Olivecrona.

Men's Doubles Handicap.
 Winners J. W. Pate Hunt & G. R. More.
 Runners Up C. Wilson and S. Balfour.

A Hongkong Win.

Travelling nearly two hundred miles on a single day just for a game of tennis is what S. A. Rumbhah, the well-known local player, did on Sunday last, when he journeyed up to Canton by the morning rail, and returned by the evening train after having met the young Canton player, Leung Tak-kyong, in the few hours stay he had there.

The trouble deserved its reward, for "S.A." not only beat Leung Tak-kyong, the conqueror of E. C. Fincher in the Interport tournament, but did it in so convincing a manner as to win in three straight sets. The final scores were 6-1, 6-3, 6-3. "Sirdar," to use a name by which he is popularly known, intends to go up to Canton again next Sunday to meet G. Bodiker, the Canton singles champion.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

PROCEEDS FOR SHANGHAI REFUGEES' RELIEF.

A charity football match is to be played on Sunday afternoon on the Caroline Hill Ground between the Army and the Chinese in aid of the Relief Fund for the Shanghai Refugees. The game is timed to commence at 4.15 p.m.

The Army team has been selected as follows: Pte. Johnson (S. W. Borderers); L/C Mullane (S. W. Borderers); and Pte. Morrison (S. W. Borderers); Pte. McLashan (A. & S. Highlanders); Pte. Channing (S. W. Borderers); and Cpl. Underwoods (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Harris (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Davis (S. W. Borderers); Sgt. Gillott (Royal Corps of Signals); Sgt. Catton (Royal Corps of Signals); and Pte. Duncan (S. W. Borderers).

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COMPANY REPORT.

THE HONGKONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LTD.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong Telephone Company to the shareholders at the meeting to be held on March 9 will state:

The Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1931, (including the sum of \$62,259.27 brought forward from the previous year), amounted to \$107,564.51. After charging \$33,724.51 for Depreciation and effecting, on the 4th August, 1931, the payment of an Interim Dividend of 4%, absorbing \$128,000.00, there remains the sum of \$305,840.00, which the Board recommended be appropriated as follows:

To payment of Final Dividend of 6% (making 10% for the year) \$192,000.00
To Transfer to General Reserve (bringing same up to \$325,000) 50,000.00
Carry forward to next Account \$3,840.00
\$305,840.00

Directors.

Under Article No. 105 of the Company's Articles of Association, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow and Mr. D. H. Blake retire by rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.

The accounts for the year under review have been audited by Messrs.

SOLICITOR FOR TRIAL.

ALLEGED CONVERSION OF CHEQUE.

William Douglas Sanders, aged thirty-two, solicitor, of Belgrave Court, Norfolk-terrace, Brighton, was charged at Marlborough-street, London, recently, with having received a cheque for £450 and a banker's draft for £4,034 on account of the executor of A. C. Liddell, converting the proceeds to his own use.

Sanders, who pleaded not guilty and reserved his defence, was committed for trial. He was allowed bail, himself in £1,000 and one surety in £500.

Mr. H. A. H. Morgan, prosecuting, said that Sanders was in practice as a solicitor at Bolton-street, W. Among his clients was Mr. Liddell, who died in 1927. Mr. Galbraith, a barrister, became sole executor under his will, and he instructed Sanders to wind up the estate.

The estate was sworn at about £59,000. Part of it consisted of a mansion at Leamington Spa, called Beachlawn.

Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, who are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.

FLOODS RUIN 1,500 HOMES.

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Convict Rescuers.

Immediate orders were given for a concentration of boats at Glendora, three miles down the river.

Every available man was engaged in rescue work. Even convicts out of the gaols are being employed.

Approximately 325,000 acres are submerged in six counties in a great Mississippi inland lake of some twenty square miles. So far no lives are reported lost.

Numerous holes have been punched by the torrent in the main levee at Glendora, floating logs acting as battering rams.

The only means of getting away from Glendora is by boat. Refugees in great numbers are camped on the railway embankments. They are scantily clothed and have nothing to eat.

Red Cross headquarters at Washington were informed that 1,500 families from nine counties of Mississippi have been driven from their homes. The inhabitants of Belmont, Mississippi, are preparing to dynamite the levee below the town so as to lessen the pressure on the dykes near the houses.

MAN WHO DESIGNS FORESTS.

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Sir Roy is a Triple Oxford Blue (cricket, athletics and horses). The major work of the Commission is growing timber, and in the last eleven years 185,000 acres have been planted in Great Britain. The planting programme for the current season is 22,500 acres, and afterwards there will be a fixed programme of 20,000 acres a year.

These trees are gradually developing in various parts of the country some 140 forests, chiefly of pine, spruce and Douglas fir. Some of these forests will one day be larger than the New Forest, and in years to come they will be valuable recreation centres.

ARMED ROBBERY.

THREE YOUTHS FACE A SERIOUS CHARGE.

Three Chinese youths, So Tak, Li Ming and Ko Yat-cho, were brought before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon on the charge of having committed an armed robbery at No. 11 Saloon Street, second floor, on January 23. Detective-Inspector Fallon prosecuted.

Outlining the case, Inspector Fallon said that at about 1.15 p.m. on January 23, the three defendants went up to the second floor of No. 11 Saloon Street and entered the premises by the staircase door. At the time, there were four females and two children on the floor. One of the defendants produced a pistol, and the other two carried knives. With these weapons, they pushed the inmates into a cubicle, but did not blind them all.

The robbers then ransacked the floor and stayed there for about half an hour. At the end of the period, they left taking away with them a quantity of jewellery.

One of the women of the floor was not bound at all; the robbers did not do so because they thought she needed her hands to take care of her baby. This woman followed the robbers downstairs, and on reaching the street, raised the alarm. One of the robbers turned down a scavenging lane, while the other two made off in another direction.

A Long Chase.

Mr. M. H. Singh, a Police Reservist, was passing at the time, and on hearing the cries of the woman, he went in pursuit of the robbers who had turned down the scavenging lane. There followed a long chase along side streets and in the course of this chase, the robber threw away a parcel of jewellery he was holding in his hands. A Chinese student joined in the chase after a while, this additional aid resulting in the arrest of a man near Reclamation Street.

When taken to the Police Station, this man, whom Inspector Fallon alleged was the first defendant, was found to have some more jewellery on his person, and this property had since been identified by the victims of the robbery as theirs.

Pistol Recovered.

Immediately after a report of

EMPIRE CONFERENCE.

MR. THOMAS PLEADS FOR HARMONY.

London, Feb. 23.

"Do not let us go to Ottawa in a haggling spirit, but let us go to see what we can throw into the common pool for the benefit of all," appealed Mr. J. H. Thomas in the House of Commons, towards the close of a speech in which he waxed indignant at the expense of Major Nathan, the secretary of the Cobden Club, who moved an amendment in the committee stage of the Import Duties Bill that preference only be given to the Dominions, India and South Rhodesia if by March 31 they enacted that United Kingdom goods should be admitted free.

Mr. Thomas characterised this proposal a threat to the Dominions the same as to foreigners, as an insult. Everyone looked forward to the Ottawa conference, as perhaps the turning point in our Imperial policy. We should do our utmost to create a good atmosphere.

Mr. Thomas contended that the Government had made great sacrifices, though some Dominions had not done so as well, but that did not justify the amendment. "We have already shown our hands, and I believe the Dominions will respond."

The amendment was negatived without a division.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

the robbery had been received by the Yau-nai Police Station, a telephone message was received from the Dinecan Girls' School.

Divisional Inspector Clark personally went to the school, on the grounds of which he picked up a pistol. The inmates would say, went on Inspector Fallon, that the robbers had used a weapon very similar to the one produced in Court. There was no direct evidence to show that the pistol was the one used at the robbery, however, although evidence would be given to show that the chase led past the grounds of the Dinecan Girls' School.

On the same day, acting on information, Police Officers arrested the second and third defendants in various addresses, and they were also charged with armed robbery. No property was, however, found on them.

After evidence was taken, the case was adjourned.



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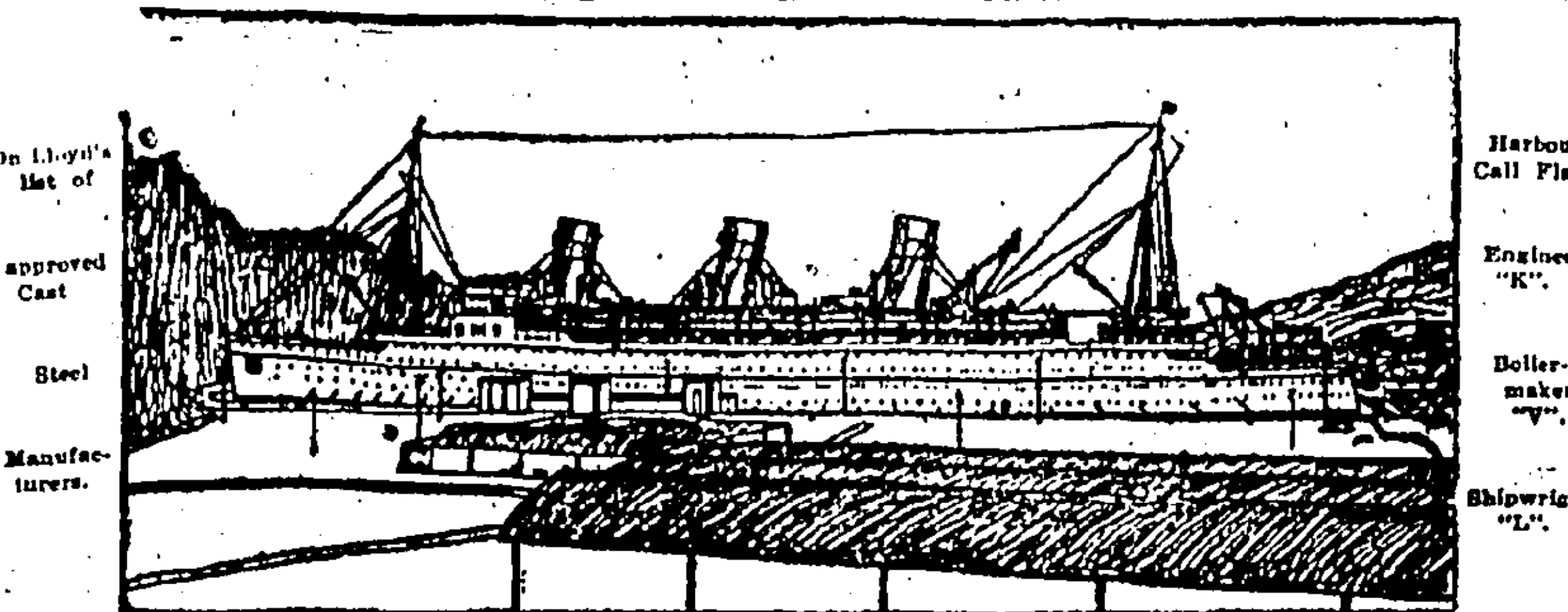
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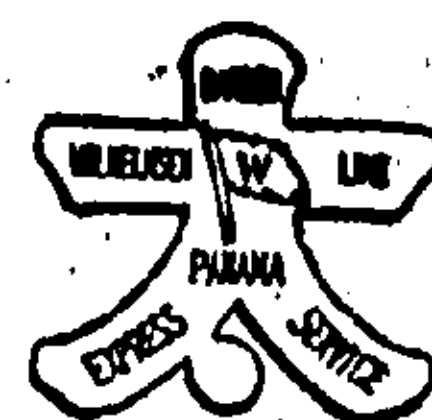
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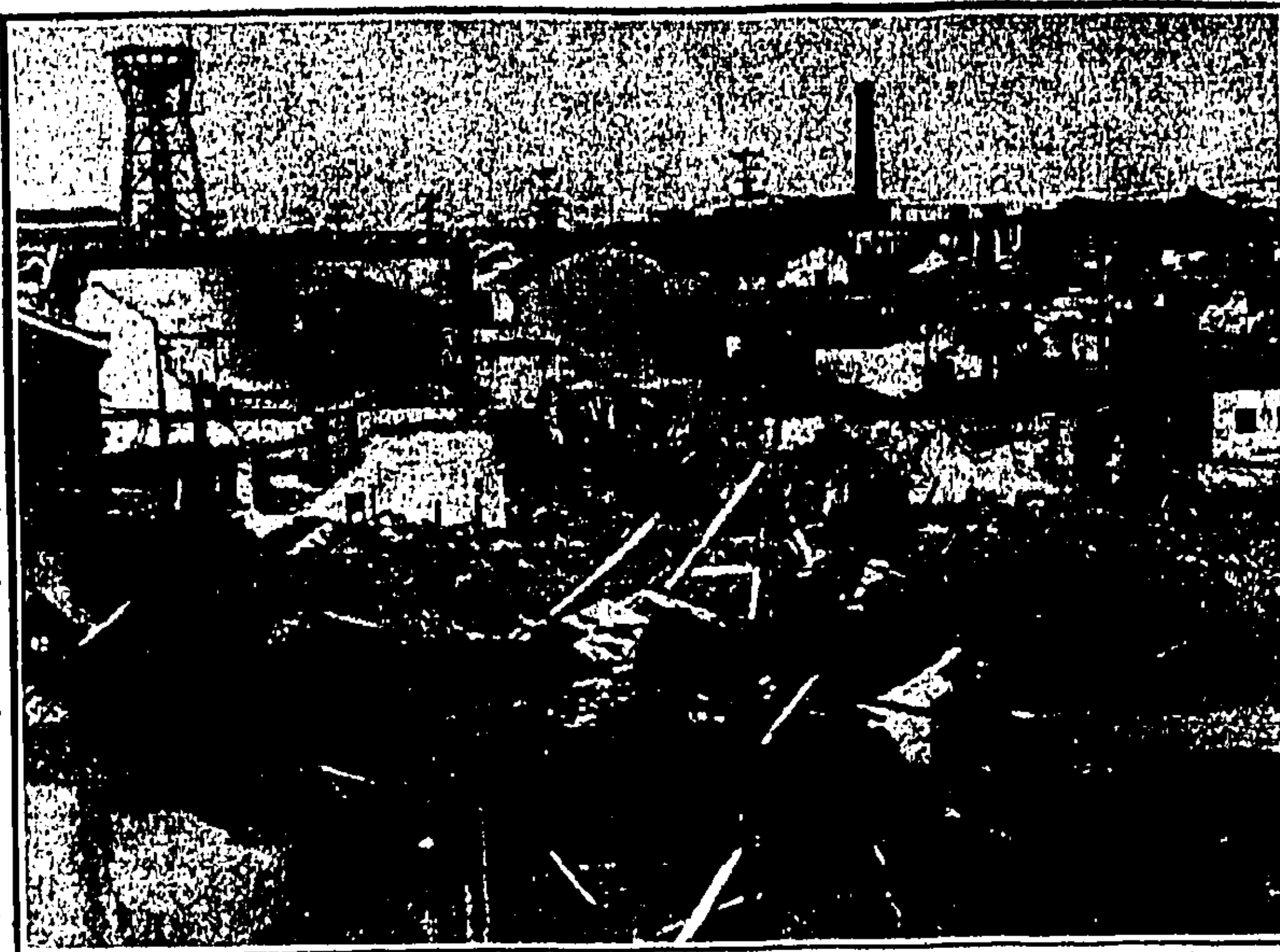
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Princess Hall
Deveron
8th Race.
Diana Bay
Sadko
Cyclamen Bay
9th Race.
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Bistre
Malakit
10th Race.
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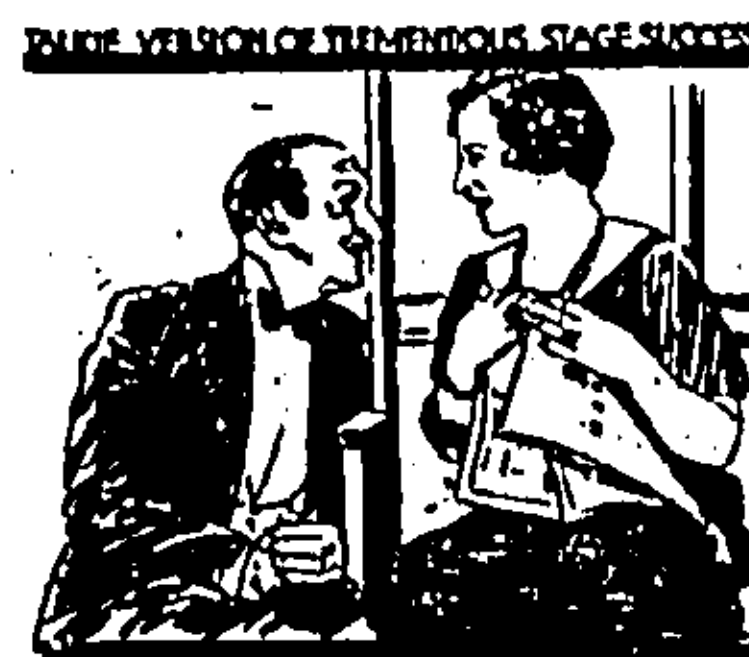
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GENERAL ASSAULT ON KIANGWAN VILLAGE.

FIERCE FIGHTING IN PROGRESS.

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STREET BRUSHES IN CHAPEI AREA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 12.43 p.m.

A SANGUINARY BATTLE IS NOW PROCEEDING ON THE KIANGWAN FRONT ALONG THE LINE FROM KIANGWAN VILLAGE TO MIAOHONGCHEN, WITH THE VILLAGE AS THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE JAPANESE ONSLAUGHT WHICH WAS LAUNCHED THIS MORNING.

The rival forces had had a rest from battle of roughly twenty hours, since the Japanese were hurled back with heavy losses yesterday afternoon, and though a steady fall of snow this morning rendered conditions more than ever arduous, the Japanese attackers went into the battle with courageous daring.

They are now at grips with the steel-helmeted National Guards division (Chiang Kai-shek's Own) and heavy losses are already reported.

Hand-to-hand fighting is also proceeding in the Chapei sector, in the vicinity of the North Station, where an advancing party of Chinese came into conflict with Japanese troops. Machine-guns were extremely active after some fierce bayonet-fighting.

The Japanese are now heavily bombarding the Chinese positions, while the Chinese artillery is also exceedingly active in this sector.

CHINESE AERIAL ATTACK.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH").

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 11.30 a.m.

The Chinese offensive weapons on the Kiangwan battlefield are improving.

It is now learned that late yesterday afternoon, after all the Japanese planes had returned to their base, two Chinese aeroplanes suddenly appeared out of the blue and gave the Japanese field headquarters near Miaohongchen village an uncomfortable quarter of an hour, before Japanese planes could be got up to drive them off.

THE FOURTH ATTEMPT. GENERAL ATTACK FOLLOWS FIERCE BOMBARDMENT.

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 11.48 a.m.

The opening of the fourth day's attack on Kiangwan village by the Japanese was delayed this morning.

Dawn came misty and damp, but at about half past seven, Japanese aeroplanes flew over the Chinese lines reconnoitring, while an hour later, a squadron of bombing machines were sent and began a systematic aerial bombardment, being met by machine-gun fire.

BIG GUN STRAFE.

When the attack from the air was spent, the Japanese heavy batteries, which have been placed on the Kiangwan racecourse, commenced their strafe, opening a fierce bombardment which was continued until a few moments before ten o'clock.

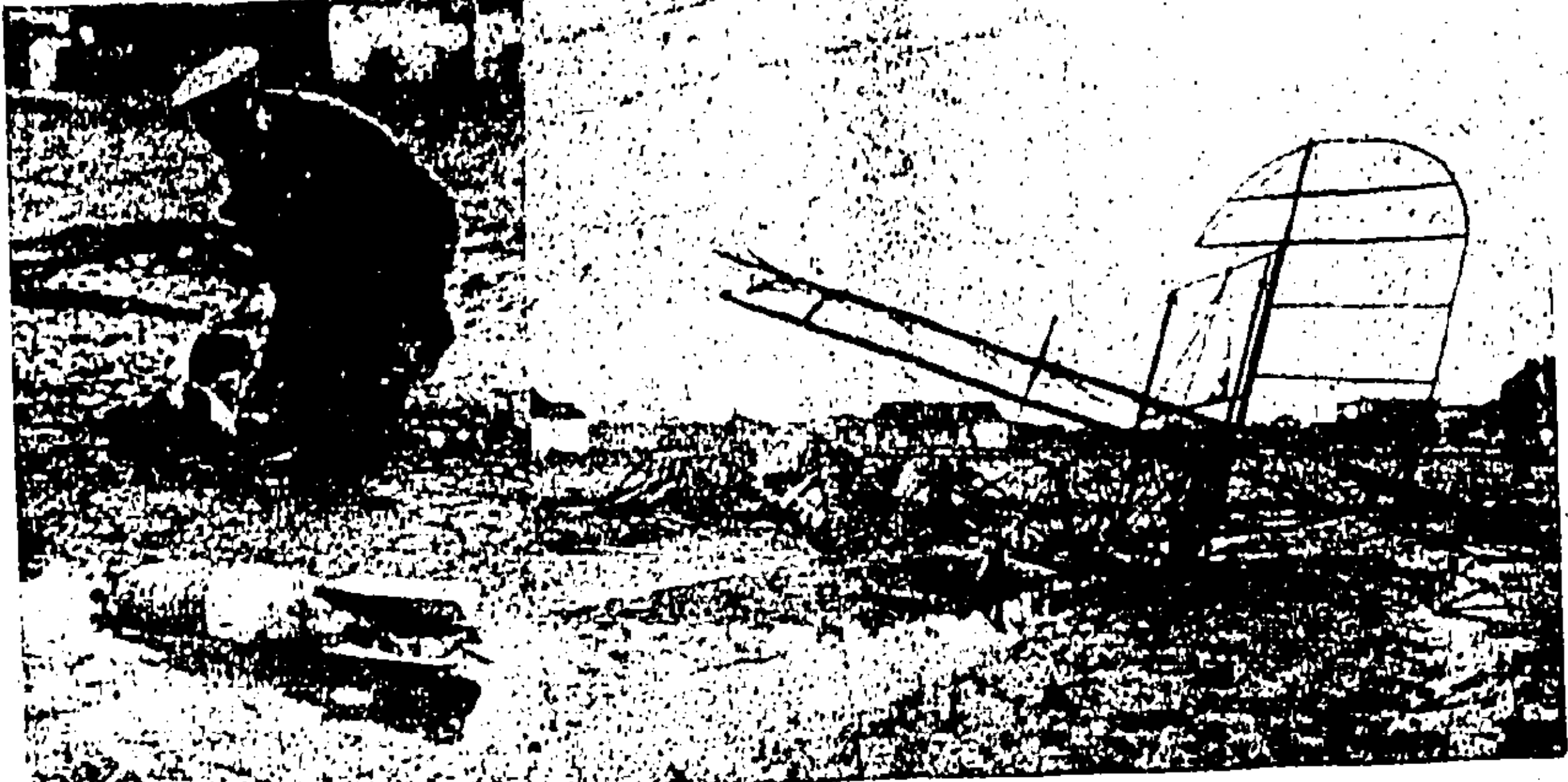
At 10 a.m., the order for a general attack was given, infantry, tanks and armoured cars, joining in the fighting, which is still proceeding furiously.

The last message did not indicate that the Japanese were making any progress. The Chinese are replying to the Japanese attack with Stokes mortars and fierce machine-gun fire.

REPLY TO PROTEST.

A joint protest against the shelling of positions within the Settlement has been lodged by the

HOW AMERICAN PILOT CAME TO GRIEF IN AIR FIGHT OVER SOOCHOW.



The above pictures show (right) the remains of a Japanese bombing plane brought down in flames at Chenju and (left), a Chinese soldier examining an unexploded Japanese aerial bomb.

JAPANESE AIRMAN ALSO KILLED.

THRILLING STORY OF ENCOUNTER.

MYSTERY MESSAGE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 11.59 a.m.

TO A GRAPHIC STORY OF how "Dare-Devil Bob" Short met his death in combat with Japanese fighting planes has been added, late this morning, a touch of mystery, in the receipt from Nanking of a message declaring that the youthful American "war-bird" is alive and well.

It is believed however that this has been occasioned by Nanking's worry about international complications. Short's exact status when he met his death is not known, but inasmuch as it is believed he was fighting for the Chinese side, the American authorities will be unable to take action.

The encounter of Short with six Japanese aeroplanes over Soochow, stalling off an attack on the Chinese military barracks, provides a thrilling story.

JAPANESE KILLED ALSO.

He was not the only casualty. In the course of the machine-gun duel he accounted for the life of Lieutenant Otani, the co-pilot of one of the Japanese machines. The Japanese plane, in dual control, managed to return safely to the aerodrome at Yangtze. The Japanese squadron had returned intact to their base that it was discovered that Lieut. Otani was dead from a machine-gun bullet.

OUT OF BLUE.

The encounter, it now appears, took place on Monday afternoon between three and four o'clock.

"Lieut." Short was flying a crack Boeing-type pursuit plane, capable of over 150 m.p.h. newly delivered, by himself, it is believed to the Nanking Government.

Six Japanese aeroplanes, including three bombers and three pursuit planes, appeared out of the mist while Short was in the air, it appears, and the American pilot, living up to his reputation for adventure-seeking, engaged one of them.

TWEEN TWO FIRES.

Another of the Japanese fighters, however, was near-by hidden.

NEW CAMPAIGN IN MANCHURIA.

EXPEDITION AGAINST GEN. TING CHAO.

Tokyo, Feb. 23.

It is officially announced that the Japanese forces in Manchuria are launching a punitive expedition against the troops of General Ting Chao, who are alleged to be looting at various points along the eastern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway.

This, it is stated, is seriously endangering the lives and properties of Japanese and Korean residents, who have, accordingly, requested protection.

TWO THEORIES.

There are two theories regarding the occasion for his death. The first is that he took the machine into the air to pilot it to Nanking and that when he saw the Japanese planes he engaged them of his own accord from sheer love of adventure.

The second is that he joined the Chinese air squadron for the express purpose of fighting Japanese planes.

The machine in which he was killed was the latest type of American pursuit plane.

THE HONOURS TO CHINA.

VERDICT ON THE FIGHTING.

PRESS OPINION.

London, Feb. 24.

The Daily Telegraph in a leading article this morning comes to the conclusion that the honours of the first three days fighting since the expiry of the Japanese ultimatum rest with the Chinese.

The prowess of their troops, says the journal, has accomplished far more than was expected by the world at large and has done much to rehabilitate the prestige of China as a Power capable of defending itself.

The indications that the fighting line will come closer to the International Settlement, following the Japanese evacuation of Hongkew, will intensify foreign anxiety lest the Settlement becomes involved in the hostilities.

The Telegraph adds that since the British Government is fully supporting the League authority, outside zealous will be well advised to leave the issue in the hands of responsible statesmen.

CHAN LIM PAK WINS SMALL FORTUNE.

WINNING TICKETS IN S. CHINA SWEEP.

Mr. Chan Lim-pak, one of the wealthiest of local Chinese residents, was the holder of one of the winning tickets in the South China Athletic Association sweep on the Derby.

The Liberty Bay tickets were numbered 47172 and 37315, both of which bring the holders the sum of \$114,976.

The second prizes (Wild Life), valued at \$31,357 each were won by tickets numbered 38133 and 18457.

The third prizes (Princess Hall), valued at \$15,678 each, went to the holders of tickets numbered 40467 and 10562.

The eight (doubled) unplaced starters receiving \$1,960 each were secured by tickets numbered 43888, 36790, 31421, 16048, 01948, 12489, 41427, 41678, 02067, 12541, 01995, 43180, 26670, 13166.

THE FLU'S AMONG THE BLUES.

BOAT RACE CREW ATTACKED.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Feb. 23.

The influenza epidemic, which has been raging in Britain for some time, is now attacking the members of both Boat Race crews.

The strokes of both Oxford and Cambridge are stricken down and the Cambridge outing this afternoon had to be cancelled as the No. 7 was also down.

Orford, with a substitute stroke, covered the Hanley Regatta course, a mile and 55 yards in 7 minutes 25 seconds.

HITLER AND THE PRESIDENCY.

A COMIC PROBLEM SOLVED.

(Reuter's Special Service).

Berlin, Feb. 24.

The rather comic problem of giving Herr Hitler German citizenship in order that he can become a Presidential candidate has been solved.

Hitler is to be made a Professor of Public Pedagogy at the Brunswick University and in order to meet the objections that the appointment is only "camouflage," Hitler will deliver an address at Brunswick to-day.

HEALTH PROBLEM IN SHANGHAI.

A VACCINATION CAMPAIGN.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 12.15 p.m.

The Shanghai Municipal Council are now taking precautions against an outbreak of epidemic disease in the Settlement, which is apprehended as a possible consequence of the influx of thousands of refugees.

At the moment, a big-scale anti-mallpox campaign is in progress. Free vaccine is being provided and it is stated that well over 100,000 have already been vaccinated.

The Chinese authorities are co-operating with those of the Settlement.

British, Italian, French and American authorities. Replying to the protest, the Chinese authorities expressed their regrets, but denied responsibility on the ground that the Japanese were using the International Settlement as a base for their operations.

An ominous silence has at present descended on the Chapel front and along the battle-line stretching to the south of Kiangwan.

RIGHT WING ACTIVITY.

Reuter's observer reports that there is some activity on the Japanese right sector, north of the Settlement has been lodged by the



Our photo shows one of the warder victims of the Dartmoor mutiny, heavily bandaged. The Governor has been given charge of Cardiff Prison, control of Dartmoor being entrusted to his former second-in-command.

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MARCH ISSUE OF "NATURALIST."

SPECIALLY INTERESTING
NUMBER.

The first number of Vol. III of the *Hongkong Naturalist* is to appear in March. It will contain splendid illustrations of flowering shrubs, birds' nests, crabs, a leopard and deer and many other interesting things besides numerous figures in the text.

The contributors to this number are Mr. A. H. Crook, Lieut. Commander S. R. Ascherson, R.N., Commander E. A. Aylmer, R.N., and others. The subscription to the volume is \$7 a year. Particulars may be seen in an advertisement in this issue.

In the editorial appearing in this coming number the editor, Dr. G. A. C. Herklots, says:

In a Colony such as Hongkong, where the resident population of Europeans is constantly changing, it is no easy task to maintain continuity of policy. This journal was started two years ago by four men three of whom have now left the Colony. The departure of Mr. A. H. Crook, who has already departed and now we have lost Major H. P. W. Hutson D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., R.E., whose articles on our local birds have been so much enjoyed, and Lieut. Comdr. A. M. Hughes R.N., whose beautiful paintings of Hongkong birds have added colour and life to our pages.

A Notable Writer.

Major Hutson came to this Colony with a reputation as a keen ornithologist; his field observations on the birds of Northern Nigeria have been in part published in the *Ibis* and in part incorporated in D. A. Bannerman's work on the "Birds of Northern Nigeria." In Hongkong he compiled a card index of all the birds recognised with certainty by himself, including full data of times and localities. This list, which contained 140 names at the time of his departure, is being kept by the *Naturalist* and supplemented and added to as further facts are obtained. (The number of species recorded now stands at 144). Largely due to the efforts of Major Hutson, nests and eggs of some 30-40 birds have been found and examined, an attainment of no mean order in a Colony like Hongkong where so many birds are migrants and where Chinese boys ruthlessly rob the eggs and young from those few that do remain to nest.

Lieut. Commander Hughes' paintings have been largely responsible for the welcome that has been accorded to the *Naturalist* during the past two years. Whilst regretting exceedingly his departure we can still enjoy his work as he has left behind a number of paintings for our use and since leaving us has sent more out from England. We hope that he will continue to be a source of pleasure to our readers by sending us more of his delightful paintings.

Government Aid.

We must again thank the Hongkong Government for voting a grant to our journal for the purpose of defraying the cost of reproducing Lieut. Comdr. Hughes' paintings. The grant, though not as large as for 1931, will, nevertheless, cover the cost of one coloured plate in each of the four issues for the year.

The series of ornithological articles commenced by Major Hutson will be continued by Commander E. A. Aylmer R.N. We ask readers who are interested in birds to send, either to the Editor, or direct to Commander Aylmer such notes, or queries, on Arrivals, Departures, Nesting, etc., that they may wish, so that their observations may be incorporated in the "Ornithological Notes" and thus placed on permanent record.

A third loss during 1931, to the regular contributors' list of this journal, is that of Mr. Somers Jenyns who has left Government

WOOSUNG THRILLS DESCRIBED.

LINER IN THE THICK OF
A BATTLE.

A thrilling account of the experience of passengers aboard the steamer *President Lincoln*, which became involved in the fighting off Woosung forts as it was leaving Shanghai, was given in an interview yesterday by Mr. M. Ezra, well-known Shanghai business man, who is on a trip to Hongkong.

In the course of the interview, Mr. Ezra said that the *President Lincoln* left Shanghai at noon on Saturday after hostilities had been resumed between the Japanese and Chinese forces.

Up to the Point everything was quiet, said Mr. Ezra, and it was not until we passed there that we had any indication that the Japanese offensive had commenced. From the boat-deck of the steamer we could see the Japanese aerodrome, where there must have been fully twenty-five bombers warming up in readiness to take off. Three or four others were in the air, circling over the field. A little further down the Whangpoo River we heard the sounds of heavy firing, and suddenly in the bend of the river we saw the flashes from the Japanese cruisers, apparently bombarding what remained of the Woosung forts, or some area north of there.

Destroyers Appear.

As we came abreast of the railway yards, the Headquarters of the Japanese army, two Japanese destroyers suddenly moved forward and took up a position about a hundred yards ahead of us. When they reached the village they commenced firing heavily, their objective appearing to be some mills and a building to the right of them. Evidently the destroyers were trying to dislodge some machine gun nests in the neighbourhood, for shell after shell was dropped on the buildings.

Service here in Hongkong and has joined the staff of the Ceramics Department at the British Museum. We hope that Mr. Jenyns will continue to write for us and here may we say how much his articles have been appreciated.

Assistance Rendered.

In an editorial such as this we naturally thank those who have helped us in the past but we should not neglect to thank those who are still helping us. May we mention here in particular the staff of the Royal Observatory Hongkong who continue to supply us with "Climatological Data." A few words of thanks also are necessary to those scientists in all parts of the world who are helping to classify and describe our collections; may we especially record our appreciation of the co-operation which Chinese biologists in Nanking and Peking have extended to us.

We contemplate increasing in size and variety the "Notes and Comments" section of the *Naturalist* and appeal to readers not only in Hongkong and South China, but also in other countries to aid us in this connexion. An attempt is being made to improve the quality of reproduction of photographs in this journal; this of course results in an increase in the costs of production and therefore we may be unable to maintain either the quality of the 1/2 tone plates, or the number of them, in succeeding issues.

There are many groups of animals and plants, other than birds, which we should like to reproduce in colour; a fund has therefore been inaugurated, contributions to which will be very welcome, the sole purpose of which is to meet the costs of the reproduction of extra coloured plates. Dr. C. M. Cooke of Honolulu has very kindly given us \$200.00 H.K. with which we have opened this fund and at the time of going to press sub-

sequent donations have brought the sum to a total of \$487. We shall keep our readers informed of the state of this fund and rely on all our friends who can do so to contribute to it.

The bridge at Woosung Creek was demolished and was in absolute ruins. Here and there fires were raging fiercely, and huge craters could be seen everywhere.

The Real Thrill.

All this time the two Japanese destroyers were keeping exactly 100 yards ahead of us, and curiously enough they maintained the same speed as our ship, firing all the while at the forts, which fortunately did not reply with anything heavier than machine guns. We could not turn back owing to the narrowness of the river, and our ship kept blowing the sirens for the Japanese destroyers to let us pass.

But the real thrill was to come suddenly the Japanese destroyers stopped, and just as we slowly drew level with them, opened with salvo after salvo at their objective. They were barely thirty yards away from us, and it was most exciting to look down from the boat-deck of the ship and watch the gun crew loading their guns, firing at the word of command, and ejecting the empty shells.

Had the Chinese not restrained their fire, it is probable that the result would have been different. They would only have had to slightly elevate one of their guns to find a neutral billet for the shells. Curiously enough we did not see a single Chinese soldier, although the rat-a-tat of their machine guns could be plainly heard.

British Flag Still Flying.

The British flag was still flying proudly over the Woosung Fort Hotel, which, with the exception of slight damage to one corner, appeared to be undamaged. The landscape around the Woosung forts was absolutely unrecognisable, and what remained of the guns in the fort were pointing up in all sorts of fantastic angles. One of the radio masts was still standing, the other had disappeared.

As we steamed out of the Whangpoo we could see the long line of Japanese cruisers and destroyers aiming apparently to the north of the forts. The Chinese were entrenched at the rivers' edge, because for the first time I could see the flashes from their field pieces. Some of the Japanese shells were falling short, and were throwing up huge columns of water.

By now we were getting out of the torrid zone, and shortly afterwards passed a Japanese aircraft-carrier, with a fleet of planes in the water besides it. Nearby was H.M.S. Cornwall, whose

The Use and Abuse of Purgatives for Children.

It was recently reported in an English newspaper that an eminent medical man condemned the use of castor oil for children. Castor oil imposes a great strain on their internal organs, it was stated, and in the experience of the writer, many children had been permanently harmed by the use of this powerful purgative. Senna and salts are also not without drawbacks, for the action of these crude laxatives is irritant and often damaging to the delicate internal membranes of the child.

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AT SHANGHAI.

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The Empress of Canada, which left Shanghai yesterday for Vancouver was the first vessel to come under the new scheme.

Officers and men were keenly interested in the fighting.

We were all ordered off the boat-deck when the fighting commenced and were requested to take shelter below, but some of us managed to stay on deck, and watch from there the whole episode, which lasted fully half-an-hour.

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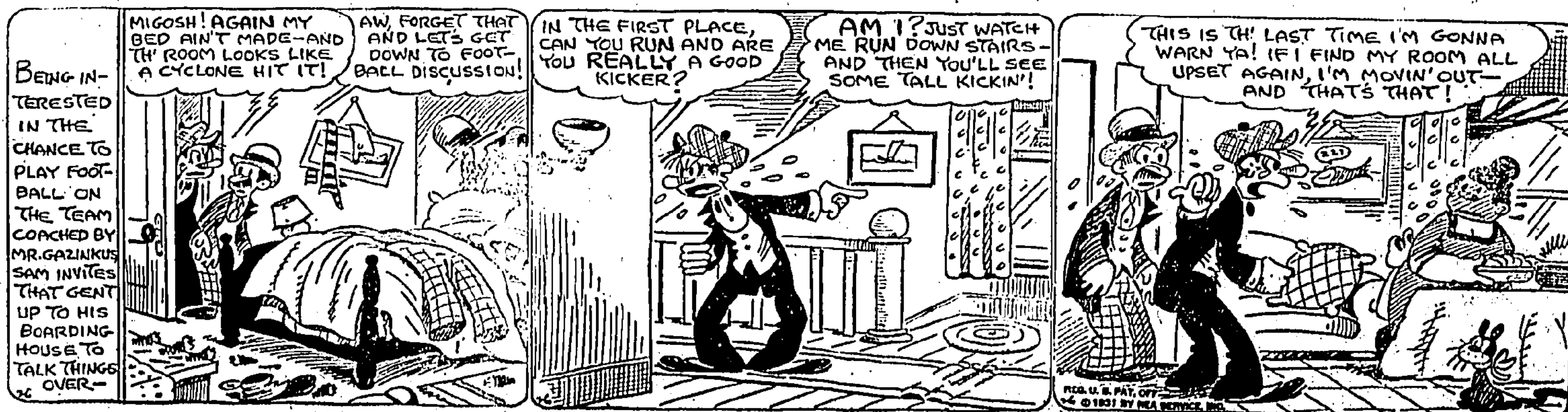
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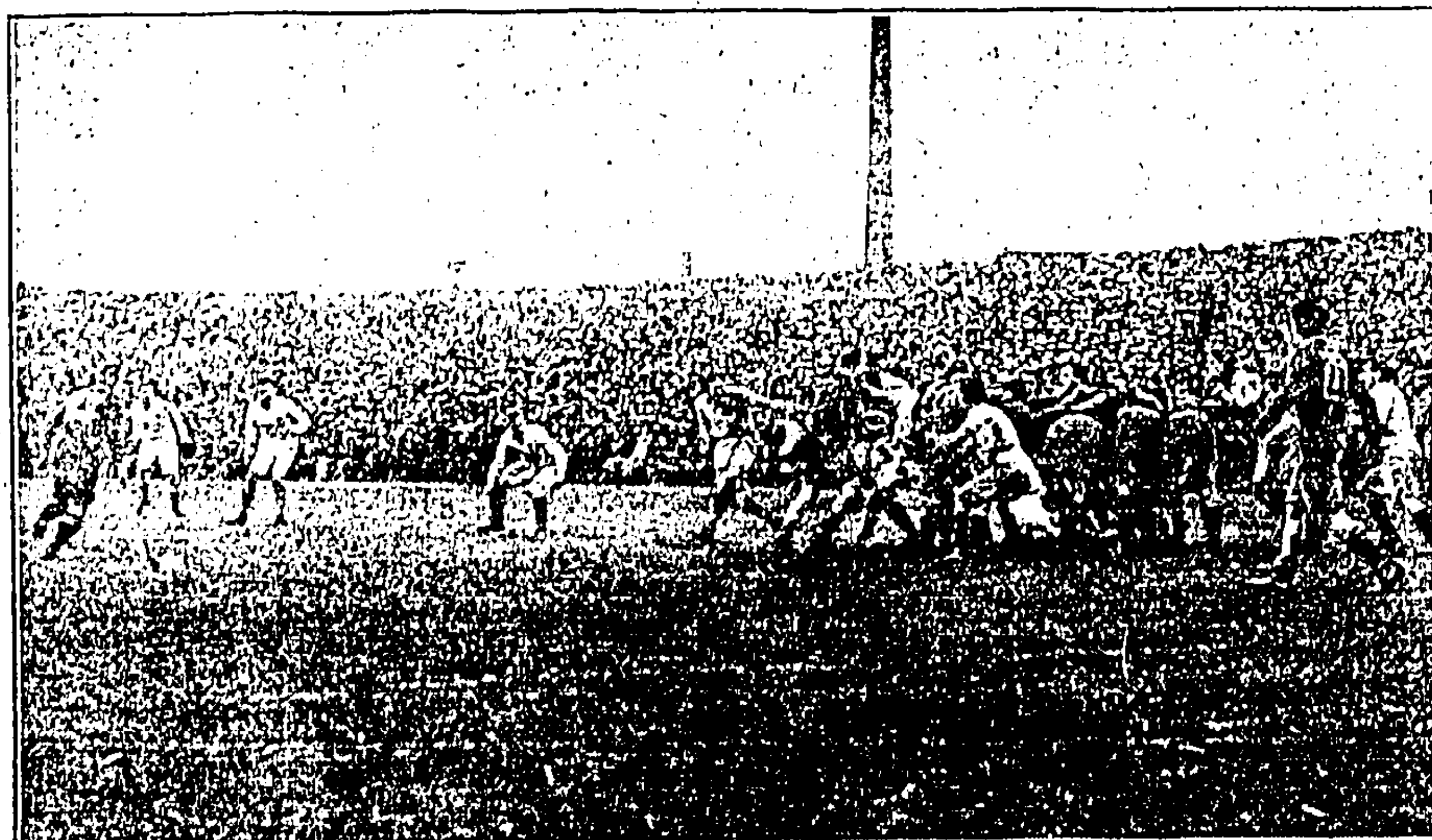
The animals from Bostock and Wombwell's menagerie, which has closed down, arrived at Dunstable from Glasgow (Jan. 18), and were taken to the Zoological park at Whipsnade. Our picture shows two of the camels and an elephant on the way to Whipsnade.—(Times copyright).



Mr. E. Metcalf's Gardeners Supremacy, winner of a Challenge Certificate for Bedlington at the National Terrier Show. (Times copyright).



The guitar used by Lady Hamilton about 1800, an interesting exhibit by Mr. Ernest Makower.



The South Africans ended their most successful tour by beating Scotland at Murrayfield by two tries to a try. Out of the 26 matches played they have won 23, drawn two, and lost one. Our picture shows the breaking up of a scrum near the Scottish line and a section of the crowd of about 60,000 present.—(Times copyright).



A feature of the meeting at Lingfield on Jan. 16, was a dead heat between two Grand National horses, Drintyre and Sir Lindsay, in the Burston Double Handicap Steeplechase. They are seen taking the water jump together, Sir Lindsay on the left.—(Times copyright).

THREE KINDS OF LOVE

by KAY CLEAVER STRAHAN

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Ann, Cecil and Mary-Frances, three young people, were sitting in the hall of a large house, waiting for their grandparents to arrive. The hall was a grand old room, with high ceilings and large windows. The three young people were dressed in their best, and were looking at each other with interest.

CHAPTER XIII

Three more trilled affirmatives before Mary-Frances turned from the telephone to Ann. "Mayn't I please go over to Ermintrude's for just half an hour? Please?"

"No," said Ann firmly. "You were there last night. I told you that I wanted you to help me this evening."

"But what in the world," asked Rosalie, thoughtfully, "is this notion of yours about cleaning the hall to-night, Ann? Such an odd time to choose."

"May I?" whined Mary-Frances. "No, dear," said Ann. "You may not."

"Darling," said Rosalie, the peacemaker perpetual, "ask your little friend to come here and visit you this evening."

"No," said Ann. "Mary-Frances must help me this evening."

engagements for this evening you should insist that Mary-Frances make none?"

"No," Ann said. "The hall must be cleaned, and I think Mary-Frances should be willing to help. It takes hours for one person to dust the grille work on the stairs, and—"

Rosalie inserted, "But why to-night? Isn't evening rather a strange time to begin house cleaning?"

"It is the only time I have," said Ann. "Now, now, Ann!" Rosalie shook a playful finger. "Don't you recollect a little story of—something about the early bird?"

Ann did not answer that. She spoke, instead, to Mary-Frances. "I'm tired to-night, honey, and the hall must be cleaned. It has been needing it for weeks now, you know. If you really don't wish to help me, you needn't. Only—sort of thought you'd rather help me than to have me do it alone."

"I guess I'd just as soon," said Mary-Frances. "All right, Ann, angel. I'll tell Ermintrude I can't."

Grand cleared his throat and gestured detainingly toward Mary-Frances. "One moment, my darling," he said. "I fear that I have fallen far behind in this discussion and have, in consequence, failed of its conclusion. I do not question your motives, Ann—dear Ann—but I do question your decision. To clean the front hall at a late hour on a spring evening! The front hall. Suppose that guests should arrive in the midst of this process of cleaning. Suppose they should find the hall empty, but presently he asked a question with Mary-Frances' name in it and paused for an answer."

Ann had not been actually listening for some time. She had formed, forced, perhaps, a habit of looking at her watch and of paying no more attention to him than she paid to other extraneous sounds. It saved trouble with her temper, and she rarely got caught, because she knew him and his speeches so well. She ventured, now, "Yes, Grand. Still, I do think that Mary-Frances is old enough to have some duties and some responsibilities."

"You are right in that. There can be no discussion of that. But I note that you evade my question."

I shall put it differently. Who is to decide what these duties and responsibilities shall be? Of what they shall consist? In other words, do you little girls not forget, sometimes at least, that your Rosalie and grand are still able to take their places—able and willing—as heads of this household? I am not criticizing. I understand only too well how this—I shall not call it thoughtlessness nor carelessness—to spare Rosalie and me is at its source. I know. That I know. But our shoulders are still broad, and we are here with you children for but one purpose.

"Shift the burden, little Ann. Shift the burden. And now, Mary-Frances, with my full and free consent, and I trust with Ann's, you may telephone to your little friend and invite her here to your home to spend the evening with you."

Ann nodded and said, "All right, dear," to Mary-Frances, and Rosalie commented concerning how easy it was to have life flow along like a song. "It is only a matter," said Rosalie, "of our all singing together the same sweet little loving tune."

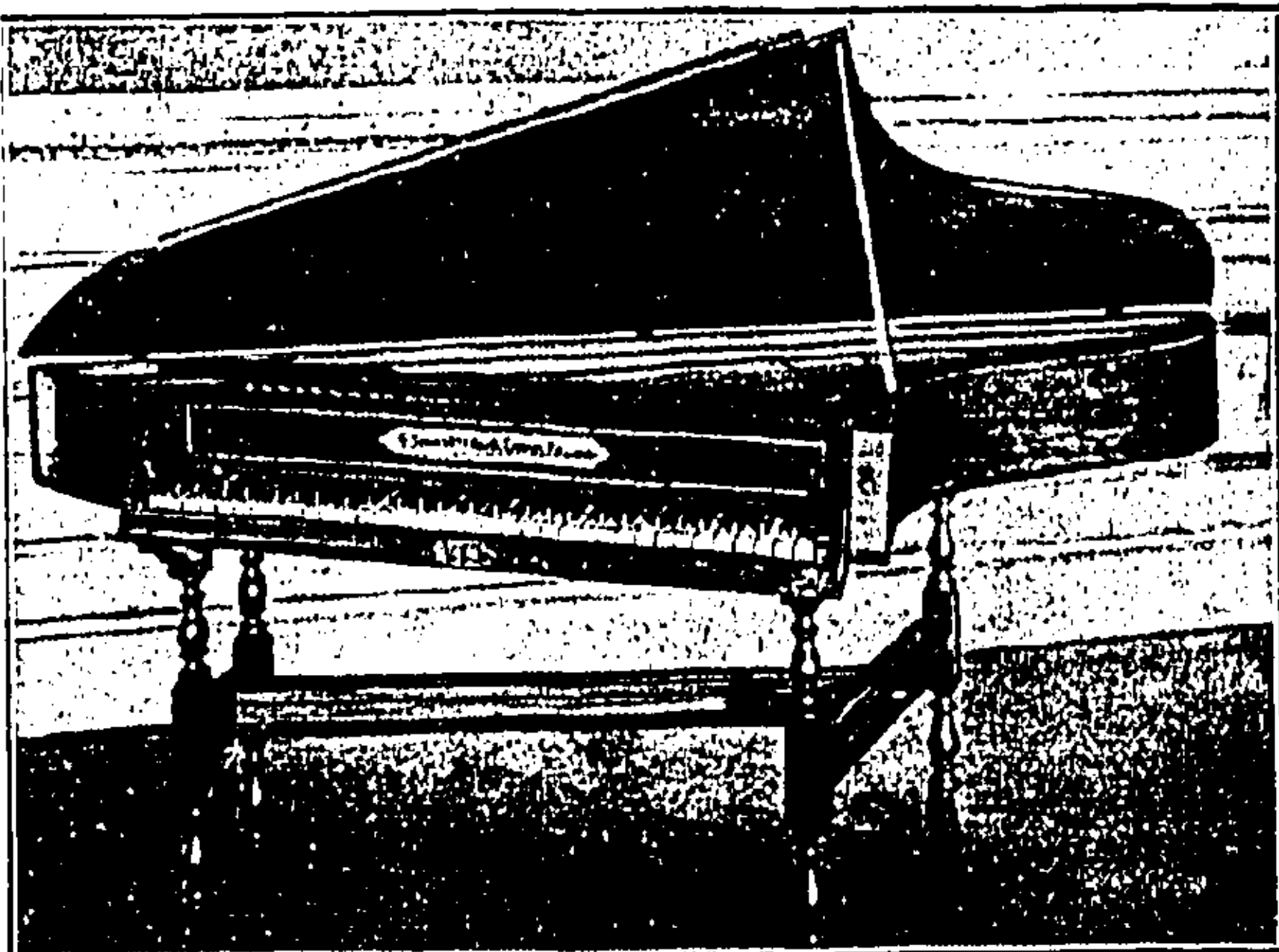
Letty tossed away her cigarette and Philip stopped being informative about birds and rose from the blanket spread over the wet grass to put his heel on the smoldering stub.

She said, "Oh, that's the third one I've made you stand up to put out, all in a row, isn't it?" and sighed a little. "I just don't seem to remember about forest fires and things."

Quite all right," Philip answered, and sat down again opposite her with the same yard and a half of brown and red Indian blanket spread between them.

Letty sighed, almost imperceptibly. She was coming to fear that, in spite of Mr. Eeroyd's good looks, who had made a mistake when she cut her date with Ken Smith to come out with him. So far he had been absolutely a flat tyre, talking unkindly of piston rods and scum-ery and birds. If she hurried, perhaps she could head him off before he got started again on mountain robbins.

"Memory is kind of a funny thing, isn't it?" she offered. "Now, with me, I really have a wonderful memory—everybody says so—but I just don't remember anything that I don't think is important. Anything important I always remember. Like when I ate a card—it is just like I filed it in my mind at the same time. I never forget it. And I'm the same way with names, and faces, and prices, and things I'm



An interesting relic of musical London in the past included in the exhibition which was opened on Jan. 16, in the London Museum, Lancaster House. Our picture shows a spinet made about 1710 by Thomas Hitchcock, who introduced the instrument to England.—(Times copyright).

to buy, and all like that. Anything important I can always remember."

"And you don't consider forest fires important?" Philip smiled, though, as he questioned.

"Well, of course I do. But I know perfectly well that a fire wouldn't start out here now when everything is so wet. I'll bet anything you couldn't start one if you tried."

"It is the principle of the thing, isn't it?" Philip rebuked gently. "If one gets into the habit of throwing lighted cigarettes about when they aren't dangerous, one might easily forget at some time when they would constitute a real hazard."

Letty sighed again, less imperceptibly. "I'm not much for forming habits myself," she said. "Good!" Philip responded heartily, and added, "No—I'm sure you aren't," and looked again at her small neat head, with the red-gold hair that seemed to sparkle even in the shadows, and wondered again whether or not it smelled of soap. During the past half hour, since she had taken off her beret, he had been speculating about that gleaming young hair. It should not be perfumed: it should smell, cleanly, of soap.

She smiled at him engagingly. She had no notion why her remark about habits had pleased him, but his sudden enthusiasm was complimentary. He was the best-looking man she knew. He was positively better looking than Gary Cooper, and so distinguished. She'd bet he would be grand with neck-

TOURISTS STOP.

40,000 FEWER AMERICANS VISIT PARIS

A big decline in the number of American tourists into France during the past year is revealed by Mr. L. J. Kenna, the American Consul-General in Paris.

Mr. Kenna said that while complete data of tourists' movements were lacking, 40,000 fewer Americans arrived at Cherbourg in 1931 than the previous year.

ing—these firm lips under that handsome moustache. "Tell me," he said half teasingly. "what are you much for?" "I don't get you," she said, and went on to say quickly, "Do you know you are just terribly good-looking?"

"Thank you," he said. "It is very kind of you to say so. Do you know that you are extremely pretty? Now, then, you say that you aren't much for habits; tell me, what are you much for?"

His teasing brought the note of intimacy that had been so stupidly lacking until now. Her curiosities were acute, and her impulses were undisciplined. Two scurrying, jerking movements across the blanket brought her beside him, snuggled just under his shoulder. "That?" she questioned. "How about you?"

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The informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918) LTD.

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, 25th February, the supply of electricity to the area bounded by Nan Chang Street, Lai Chi Kok Road, Tong Mi Road and the Sea will be disconnected from 7 a.m. until dusk for the purpose of carrying out necessary work on high-tension mains.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-third Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on Wednesday, 23rd March, 1932 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1931 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 10th March 1932 to 23rd March 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
 GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 17th February, 1932.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY LIMITED will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 9th Day of March, 1932, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hongkong at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the Financial Year ended 31st December, 1931, and electing Two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED From the 3rd to 9th MARCH, 1932, Both Days inclusive.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1932.

By Order of the Board,

W. L. MCKENZIE,
 Secretary.
 14, Des Voeux Road Central,
 Hongkong.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1932.

On Wednesday, 24th February, the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, the 27th February, the first race will be run at 1 p.m. and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. The 15th interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—\$5.00 including tax for the Ladies' Enclosure and \$20.00 (respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

A limited number of Tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club house, provided they are ordered in advance from No. 1 Box, Telephone No. 21920.

No pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.
 The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at 1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, T.C. T.C. men etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.
 Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same, and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,
 C. B. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1932.

NOTICE.

We have pleasure in announcing we have appointed MESSRS. A. GÖEKE & COMPANY our sole Agents for Hongkong and South China.

Per Pro Societe Internationale de Placements.
 R. A. COCHRANE WATSON,
 Manager for the Far East.

NOTICE.

We beg to announce we have been appointed Sole Agents for the SOCIETE INTERNATIONALE DE PLACEMENTS, BASLE, for the territory of Hongkong and South China, for the sale of INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENTS DEPOSIT CERTIFICATES.

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 China Building, Hongkong.
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THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 10th March, 1932, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 1st March, 1932, to Thursday, the 10th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
 F. H. CRAPNELL,
 Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1932.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at the VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, the 3rd MARCH, 1932, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

ENTRIES will DEFINITELY CLOSE at noon on THURSDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, 1932, at the Hon. Secretary's Office, 11, Queen's Road, Central, but intending Exhibitors are requested to SEND IN THEIR ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

Members who have not yet paid their subscription and ALL THOSE who WISH to JOIN the Society are requested to send \$5.00 immediately to the Undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,
 Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 27th February, 1932, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,

V. M. GRAYBURN,
 Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1932.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Monday, the 29th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 18th February, to Monday, 29th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
 General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1932.

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CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

June Darwell, the Widow Douglas of Paramount's "Tom Sawyer" and "Huckleberry Finn" was re-signed, by that company, to portray one of the outstanding roles in the romance, "Ladies of the Big House" featuring Sylvia Sydney and Gene Raymond. The picture, which is a heart-gripping love story of two young persons who get in a mix-up with gangsters and are caught and convicted of murder, though innocent, is the featured attraction at the King's Theatre.

Miss Darwell made her screen debut in the second motion picture ever produced by Paramount. It was "Brewster's Millions" and was produced in the historic barn that had served as the Paramount studio. Had she arrived in Hollywood a week sooner Miss Darwell would have been in Paramount's first film.

Miss Darwell returned to the stage after two years and returned to pictures to make her talking screen debut in "Tom Sawyer." She is one of the older school of melodramatic and repertoire stage show artists, and has played hundreds of roles in all parts of the country.

"Canaries Sometimes Sing."

"Extraneous disturbances" are the bane of the "Talkie" director. A cough, perhaps the dropping of an aspirate, a shuffle or any sound at the moment the microphone is alive is dreaded. Tom Walls, who directed "Canaries Sometimes Sing" will be shown at the King's Theatre next Sunday, says the fear that something untoward will happen during the taking of a scene is very wearing. The possibility of a disturbance is always in one's mind—and there are other little troubles. He told of the canary which was an important part in "Canaries Sometimes Sing." "Perse" was required to be disconnected and, therefore, quiet in his cage. But the property people selected a cock bird which persisted in singing and spoiled the scene. When they introduced a hen bird, which, after the manner of her sex, twittered when she should not have done.

"The Rosary."

The development of the story of Britain's best drama to date which is showing tomorrow at the Queen's Theatre is a vivid contrast between the present of two half-sisters, Mary Edwards and Vera Manning. Vera is taken for a week-end by her boss, Ronald Overton, and when the latter meets and falls in love with Mary, she tells Mary that she is going to have a baby, with the result that Mary renounces her lover and attempts to enter a convent.

Returning home from an interview with the Mother Superior, Mary finds to her surprise a young man standing over the dead body of Overton's rival, Dalmayne, but with the advent of the police, Mary again sacrifices herself for her sister, and confesses to the crime. After a dramatic trial during which the girl again lies nobly for her sister's sake, a verdict is delivered of "Not Guilty," and Mary once more goes to the convent. Here she is interrupted later by Vera and Ronald. Vera to confess that she lied about the coming of the baby, and Ronald to become reconciled with Mary. The picture closes with the figure of Vera, the nun, kneeling at her prie-dieu reciting her rosary.

There is a subsidiary development which shows Vera's father to be a forger, but this is merely a narrative device to give colour to the girl's quarrel with Dalmayne. The dominating angle, of course, is the sacrifice of the noble daughter, which shows her willingness to give up love and honour, and even life itself, for the sake of her unworthy sister.

"Guilty Hands."

Two students of criminology were joined in the making of "Guilty Hands," the thrilling murder mystery drama which will open at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday next with Lionel Barrymore playing the featured role.

They were Bayard Veiller, noted dramatist, who wrote the story directly for the talkie screen, and W. S. Van Dyke, who directed it for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Veiller, known for such mystery plays as "The Trial of Mary Dign," has obtained his unusual plots through his many years study of crime and criminal psychology. Van Dyke, a former newspaperman has made an exhaustive study of criminology and numbers among his close friends some of the nation's leading crime investigators.

Between the two, they are said to have produced a screen mystery which sets a new mark for thrills, excitement and surprise. The story revolves about an attorney who murders his daughter's fiancé and reveals an amazing ingenuity in hiding his crime. The manner in which he is eventually exposed brings the plot to a startling and totally unexpected climax.

Included in the cast are Key Francis, Madge Evans, William Bakewell, C. Aubrey Smith, Polly Moran and Alan Mowbray.

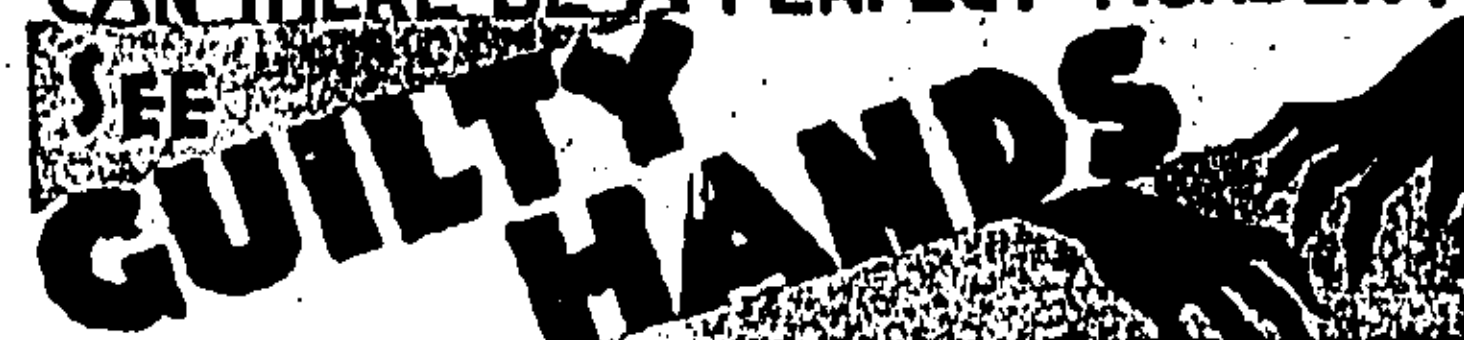
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Information has been received that the Siberian route is uninterrupted and the service by this route will accordingly be resumed forthwith.

The Public are, however, warned that, as this Service is somewhat precarious and still liable to suspension without notice, letters will only be accepted at senders' risks. In the event of the service being again suspended all letters will be forwarded via Suez.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed. It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the General Post Office that on and after 1st February no faxed correspondence will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Boxholders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Boxes' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the delivery of the letters or packets.

The Parcel Post Service to Shanghai and North China is fully resumed as from to-day.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Shanghai and Swatow	Sinkiang	February 24.
Calcutta and Straits	Sankha	February 24.
Manila	Emp. of Japan	February 25.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers)	Rajputana	February 25.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 6th February)	Pres. Taft	February 26.
Japan	Kitano Maru	February 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Naldera	February 26.
Japan	Kidderporo	February 27.
Manila	Pres. Lincoln	February 29.
Japan and Shanghai	D'Artagnan	March 1.
Saigon	Felix Roussel	March 2.
Japan	Haruna Maru	March 4.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco, 6th February)	Pres. Polk	March 5.
Australia and Manila	Chichibu Maru	March 5.
Japan	Arizona Maru	March 6.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 12th February)	Pres. Coolidge	March 7.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Date and Time.
Amoy	Tai Yuan ... Wed, Feb. 24, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Del Maru ... Thur, Feb. 25, 3.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea ... Thur, Feb. 25, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Knying ... Thur, Feb. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Foochow	Luchow ... Thurs, Feb. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Hosang ... Fri, Feb. 25.
	Parcels ... Noon.
	Letters ... 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang ... Fri, Feb. 26, 1 p.m.
Holihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiungchow ... Fri, Feb. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia, and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Kitano Maru ... Sat., Feb. 27.
	Reg. ... 8.45 a.m.
	Letters ... 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island, 10th March)

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

For	Date and Time.
Naldera	Sat., Feb. 27.
	K.P.O.
Parcels	Feb. 28, 4.30 p.m.
Reg.	Feb. 27, 9 a.m.
Letters	Feb. 27, 10 a.m.
	G.P.O.
Parcels	Feb. 28, 5 p.m.
Reg.	Feb. 27, 9.45 a.m.
Letters	Feb. 27, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 25th March)
Foochow	Liangchow ... Sat., Feb. 27, 3.30 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Anahim ... Sun., Feb. 28, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru ... Sun., Feb. 28, 9 a.m.
Japan and Canada	Hikawa Maru Mon., Feb. 29, 5 p.m.
	(Due Vancouver B.C., 21st March)
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Hikawa Maru ... Mon., Feb. 29.
	Reg. ... Feb. 29, 6 p.m.
	Letters ... Feb. 29, 6 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching ... Tues., Mar. 1, 1 p.m.
Straits and Europe via Marseilles	Menclaus ... Tues., Mar. 1.
	K.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 1, 10 a.m.
Letters	Mar. 1, 1 p.m.
	G.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 1, 1.15 p.m.
Letters	Mar. 1, 2 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 31st March)

Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, and Europe via Marseilles

For	Date and Time.
D'Artagnan	Tues., Mar. 1.
	K. P. O.
Registration	1 p.m.
Letters	1.15 p.m.
	G. P. O.
Registration	1.45 p.m.
Letters	2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 1st April)

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America, and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia

For	Date and Time.
President Lincoln	Tues., Mar. 1.
Parcels	Mar. 1, Noon.
Reg.	Mar. 1, 1.15 p.m.
Letters	Mar. 1, 2 p.m.
	(Due San Francisco, 22nd March)
Swatow	Norviken ... Tues., Mar. 1, 5 p.m.
Manila	Mauang ... Wed., Mar. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C., and Europe via Siberia	Shinyo Maru Wed., Mar. 2, 2.30 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

For	Date and Time.
Haruna Maru	Fri., Mar. 4.
	K.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 4, 4.30 p.m.
Letters	Mar. 4, 4.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 4, 5 p.m.
Letters	Mar. 4, 6 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 2nd April)

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

and national security, was explained in the Chamber of Deputies early in the debate on the Government's foreign policy today.

M. Pierre Forget, the former Minister for Public Works, suggested that France should abandon reparations entirely and that the United States should cancel the French war debt.

Then France would cut her expenditure on military defence by 25 per cent, whereas the United States would sign a security pact, guaranteeing the safety of France.

M. Forget urged M. Laval to bring this scheme to the notice of President Hoover. The ex-don reparations entirely and that the United States should cancel the French war debt.

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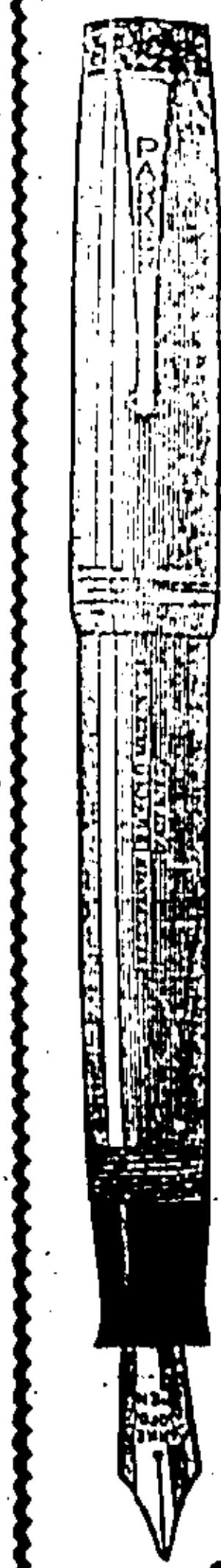
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1932

PREMATURE.

No one with any sense of ad-
miration for the splendid and sur-
prising fight which the Chinese
are putting up in Shanghai would
be grudging the defenders' compa-
triotism in this Colony expressing
their gratification over the news
of successes in the field, provided,
of course, the demonstrations are
kept within reasonable bounds. It
is but natural that, in such circum-
stances, some ebullition of feeling
should be displayed. The Chinese
community would indeed be poor
patriots did they not find joy in
victory. But after yesterday's
celebrations, the counterpart of
some which have taken place in
other centres, the feeling cannot
be resisted that there is a very
real danger of the populace being
fooled by stories reflecting vic-
tories which only exist in the im-
agination. Indeed, as the real
facts became known, it was shown
that there was no justification
whatever for this amazing display
of popular feeling. In saying so
much, we do not detract in any
way from the magnificent fighting
spirit shown by the Chinese troops,
but the ridiculous tales in circula-
tion yesterday should have been
accepted with a very great deal
more reserve than they were.
Once fanciful tales gain currency,
however, it is almost impossible to
scotch them, especially where there
is some slight basis of fact to
account for the subsequent exag-
gerations. Since the Shanghai
troubles began, all manner of re-
ports, subsequently proved false,
have been made the occasion of
celebrations in various parts of
China. Canton has been duped,
so has Wuchow, and even Shanghai
itself. In the latter connexion,
we need only point to the fact
vouchsafed by a Shanghai contem-
porary that the Northern port has
been flooded with editions of the
Chinese "mosquito press," each of
which seeks to outvie the other in
proclaiming tremendous Chinese
victories and enormous Japanese
losses. In one such broadsheet
recently, it was blazoned forth
that over forty Japanese warships
had been sunk, more than sixty
aeroplanes shot down and no fewer
than 22,000 Japanese troops killed.
To intelligent people, the wholesale

character of the figures would be
sufficient to disprove their truth,
but to the gullible, eager to read
and believe the best of their own
side and the worst possible of the
other, such "news" can only have
a misleading and dangerous effect.
Such stories tend to make Chinese
non-participants lose all sense of
the strength of the opposition,
with the result that if and when
bad news comes, the reaction is
all the worse.

War is a grim business, a fact
which the Chinese cannot afford
to overlook. It is early in the day
yet to represent to the masses that
Japan is defeated and that she
will be unable to continue the
struggle. As a Chinese corres-
pondent writes to us to-day, it will
be better to await the develop-
ments of Japan's plans before
celebrating victory. Admittedly,
the Japanese have been given
much food for thought by the
spirited resistance which they
have encountered; and we can well
believe that Tokyo is feeling
anxious over the unexpected turn
of events. But even the Chinese
Government is preparing for a
long struggle, which seems a rea-
sonable anticipation unless unex-
pected developments occur. In the
circumstances, the wise plan
is to believe only that which is
vouched for in reputable quarters.
To do otherwise may be to result
in much vain regret later on.

Increased Leisure and Books.

Recent experiments with cheap-
er and omnibus books, and with
expedients for increasing the sale
of books, have led to a specific
study of the place which books
have in a democracy. Some of the
figures given in this study by R. L.
Duffus are interesting. Certain of
the conclusions of the writer, how-
ever, do not seem thoroughly well
founded. Mr. Duffus complains
that the public buys less than two
books per capita. The figures are
perhaps misleading because it is
not to be expected that either
young children or illiterates, or the
great mass of people who reside
where books are not readily ob-
tained, are likely to buy them.
Probably for the adult population
living in reasonably well
settled regions this average
of two books a year should be
increased to five or six. That is,
of course, not a great number.
But the people will spend more
every month on motion pictures
than they do in a year on books,
while on motor-car riding some
twenty times as much is disbursed
annually. Eugene Field, in a mo-
ment of satire, intending to con-
trast the lot of the publisher with
that of the author, once gave as a
division of a precession at the
Chicago World's Fair, "Publishers
in carriages followed by authors
on foot." But after all neither
publishers nor authors rank high
in American plutocracy to-day.
It is fair to say that the whole
tendency of the organization of
society for leisure in these days
is against the extension of the
habit of reading books. Automob-
iles, cinemas, golf, and wireless
furnish amusement for every con-
ceivable class and do not cost
materially more than would a
generous devotion to literature.
But more than that the tendency
is away from continuing serious
and intellectual effort during lei-
sure hours. Even newspapers are
striving to substitute short and
snappy articles for serious and
comprehensive contributions to
human knowledge. People seldom
read beyond the headlines and the
first paragraph. As to the maga-
zines, the mortality among the
more serious ones in the last de-
cade was distressing. Short-story
papers and monthlies given over
to the main to fiction thrive most.
This situation exists and is being
emphasised in a period when the
masses of men have more leisure
than ever in industrial history.
That it should exist seems to offer
less reason for criticizing the
methods of book publishers or the
intellectual sloth of readers than
it does for adding to the belief that
there should be established some
form of education in the proper
use of leisure. Really serious
students of economic conditions
look upon the shortened working
week, even the four-day week, as
a possibility within the lives of
present-day youth. Should that
condition arrive, it would be
calamitous if the masses have not
learned to develop mentally
through useful reading.

DAY BY DAY

CENSURE IS THE TAX A MAN PAYS
TO THE PUBLIC FOR BEING EMINENT.
Swift.

The Empress of Asia arrived at
Vancouver on Monday evening.

There will be no concert at the
Helena May Institute on Thursday,
March 3, owing to the Flower Show.

Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Puisne
Judge, arrives from England after
long leave to-morrow morning, aboard
the P. and O. s.s. Rajputana.

Included in the 408 bags of first and
second class mail, which arrived at
Hongkong by the President Lincoln,
on Sunday night were 128 bags of
mail from London, sent via Suez.
The London mail was that of January
24 to February 1.

Nineteen cases of small-pox (nine
fatal), three fatal cases of diph-
theria and three cases of enteric
fever (one fatal) were listed in the
return of notifiable diseases occur-
ring in the Colony during the past
week. There were also 88 deaths
from pulmonary tuberculosis. Three
cases of small-pox and three of
diphtheria were notified on Monday.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Yesterday's Celebrations.

[To the Editor, Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—It is perhaps too obvious
for me to point out that the firing
of crackers yesterday by the local
Chinese was an inevitable expres-
sion of their jubilation over the
reports of the latest successes of
the Chinese troops in Shanghai.
However, I am of the opinion
and I am sure it is the opinion of
many as well—that such a rap-
turous action was taken without
mature consideration. Perhaps
the impulse created by the news
of success, in the wake of that of
reverse, was so great that, once
sufficient momentum had been
gathered, nothing could stop its
finding an expression of some sort.

It is well known that large num-
bers of troops are on their way to
reinforce the Japanese now facing
the Chinese. It appears that
General Uyeda had expected the
stiff resistance put up by the
Chinese before the commencement
of the "Big Push," and had conse-
quently ordered the 11th Division,
the reinforcements, to stand by,
not in distant Japan but at the
very mouth of the Yangtze. And
who knows that the Japanese Com-
mander has now not another divi-
sion, or divisions, marking time
somewhere ready to be thrown into
the hotbed?

Thus it is quite evident that in
whatever nature the reported suc-
cesses claimed by the Chinese in
this moment may be, the decisive
battle has yet to be fought out.
The Chinese therefore should not
give themselves so soon to wild
transport. They should be calm,
though watchful, and continue to
give their Government support.
The money expended in fire-
crackers yesterday must have been
enormous. It could, and should,
have been spent in a far better
way.—Yours, etc.,
K. S. L.

A Young Man Declares

**WE ARE NOT AFRAID TO
THINK FOR OURSELVES.**

ON November 11, 1918, the
twentieth century was born
after four long years of ghast-
ly travail. I was a child then, and
have only a confused memory of
flags fluttering everywhere; church
bells ringing; happy, cheering
crowds, and a general sense of
swift relief from a grim, intoler-
able strain.

And the young men and women
of my generation can remember
little more. But we have had to
grow up in the world then ushered
in, a world unbelievably strange,
a world almost completely cut off
from the one in which our parents
spent their youth.

A Wide Gulf.

To-day, a much wider gulf
stretches between a young man and
his father than the latter would
find separating him from his great-
grandfather, and so we can
hardly expect to escape scot-free
from criticism and shocked indigna-
tion when our whole outlook and
attitude to life are so different
from those of our elders.

The accusations levelled against
us are many, but not very varied.
They all have a ring of monotonous
sameness about them: we are
cynical, mockingly sceptical, and in-
different to most things of import-
ance. Religion has lost its appeal;
reverence has vanished; convention
is flung to the wind; and we have
snapped the guiding-rein of all re-
cognised morality.

These are hasty generalisations,
with about as much truth in them
as in most generalisations, yet they
have sufficient justification behind
them to make it impossible for us
to ignore their significance or re-
fuse to try to understand the very
real concern which prompted them.

It seems to me that the fault lies
largely with our detractors, for,
with the best intentions in the
world, they never trouble to seek
for an explanation of the younger
generation's conduct, seeming
rather to put it down to some in-
nate and quite inexplicable por-
osity of character. Surely it
must be obvious to everyone how
we are the inevitable products of
the peculiar environment which
surrounded us during the most im-
pressionable years of our life.

Familiarity with marvels dulls
one's sense of wonder, and we are
all too apt to take for granted the
most stupendous achievements of
science. Perhaps it is labelling
the obvious to insist on this, and it
would be tedious to recapitulate the
list of advances made during the
past thirty years; but their
magnitude and influence must be
stressed if the people between
twenty and thirty are ever to have
their views given a sympathetic
hearing.

A Changed World.

Until comparatively recent times
the world was a snug, cosy little
home of which man really could
feel himself the master, for all the

vast forces of the universe seemed
to centre around him. But, with
the development of astronomical
knowledge and the coming of the
new and startling theories of space
and time, the firm ground of cer-
tainty has slipped from beneath
our feet, leaving us floundering in a
morass of doubt and bewilderment.

We have been taught that the
world is like a grain of sand whirl-
ling round a tiny pebble, which, in
its turn, is voyaging on a strange
journey through space, through a
universe whose immensity appals
reason and staggers the imagina-
tion, a fantastic universe which
plays queer tricks with time, where
there is unceasing flux and change,
and where man seems less than
nothing. And so to us the things
which for centuries have been in-
vested with the sanctity of re-
vealed truth are now obsolete,
meaningless beliefs—mere phrases.
Man appears as an insignificant by-
product, with not a jot of scientific
proof to support any of his puffed-
up pride in himself as the sole ex-
planation for the existence of the
universe.

Only A Mask.

We have suddenly had thrust be-
fore us incontrovertible proof of
our physical pettiness, and we make
the mistake of thinking the same
proof serves to thicken the efforts
of our mental and spiritual life, so
that there are moments when mol-
ling seems worth while. The bot-
tom has been knocked out of life;
but, because we are not going to
sit and whimper in a corner, we
put on a mask of cynicism or hide
our real feelings behind a show of
blase indifference. We are angered
by insistence on dogma and the
stressing of the letter rather than
the spirit, but never before has
youth felt so deeply or so sincerely
about the great issues of human
life.

Naturally we are bewildered—
zeons of progress have been
crammed into the last few years,
fill our minds turn giddy and re-
fuse to grasp after the meaning
of it all; in mere self-defence we
hasten behind our barricades of
mockery or boredom; but any brief
examination of the books we are
writing or the questions we are
asking should be enough to show
how earnest we are in groping after
a solution to the riddle.

I do not want to deny the un-
orthodoxy of our ideas about
morality; but who is to blame if we
express them a little crudely—
sometimes offensively? New-found
freedom is always liable to abuse,
and in the reaction from the
hypocrisy of a stifling repression of
the half-century before the war
we may have swung too far in the
direction of out-spokenness. But,
at least, we are not afraid of the
truth: we believe that values are
not static; they must change as
civilisation changes. Axiomatic,
one would think. Yet to-day, be-
cause we refuse to pay lip
service to threadbare con-
ventions and taboos which have
long since lost what meaning they
ever had, sober age abandons us
in despair, with a woeful prophecy
of damnation of its lips.

And so our voices get a little shrill
as we try to shout down the chorus
of misrepresentation, and our tem-
pers fray and we say more than we
really mean in an endeavour to stir
our critics out of their complacent
self-righteousness.

The Major Sin.

Injustice and cruelty are the
major sins in our eyes, and for us
there is no greater crime than the
restriction of a man's personal
freedom, or the warping of his
nature merely to make him slip
easily into his place as an unim-
portant cog in the social machine.
We insist that a man's individuality
has an inviolable right to develop
in its own way, provided its un-
checked growth offers no menace to
the happiness of his fellows.

On the whole, I think we are
better than our predecessors.

There are so many of our critics
who are for ever looking backwards
with vain regrets for the passing
of an epoch in which they felt at
home, instead of trying to adjust
themselves to the changed condi-
tions of life; and to them we must
necessarily seem completely alien
in temperament and ways of
thought. But if they will only lay
aside their hostility and realise that
we are timorous and a little shy,
that our noisy self-assertion covers
up a great deal of hesitant uncer-
tainty, and that, after all, we are
so young that we have not yet
acquired sufficient sense of humour
to save us from extravagance, they
may see that we have a certain new
courage, a frankness, an originality
and independence of approach to
life which more than compensate
(Continued on Page 9.)



"Boy, I'm going to find a job, work hard, and save so I can go back home in a yellow roaster."

LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS.

IMPORTANT MEETING TO-MORROW.

BRITISH HOPES.

London, Feb. 23. The General Committee of the Disarmament Conference will meet to-morrow at Geneva under the chairmanship of Mr. Arthur Henderson. The New French Prime Minister, M. Tardieu, has informed the British Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, of his intention of being present. It is understood that Signor Grandi and the heads of several other delegations will also attend.

Sir John Simon, who, in the absence of the Prime Minister, is acting as head of the British delegation to the Conference, left London this afternoon for Geneva, and will be present. He will remain in Switzerland until after the special meeting, on March 3rd, of the League Assembly which has been called to consider the Sino-Japanese situation. It is anticipated that the highly important debates on political issues that will come before the Disarmament Conference will take place in this General Committee, including, for example, the security questions raised by the French Memorandum. The work of the whole Conference will be co-ordinated by the fact that the President is the Chairman of this General Committee.

Budgetary Limitation.

The other committee that will probably be set up by the Disarmament Conference will provide work for specialists on land, sea and air armaments, and another committee will consider the question of reduction of armaments by means of budgetary limitation.

The view of the British Government in regard to budgetary limitation is that it should afford a valuable cross-check on other methods of limitation, although it is recognised that many complicated factors would have to be adjusted for its proper working. Conscript armies, for example, are less expensive to maintain than professional armies, and considerations of this kind must obviously be taken into account.

On the other hand, budgetary limitation affords a useful means of restricting certain kinds of armaments, such, for instance, as the so-called pocket battleship, which although it might conform to tonnage and other material limitations, is expensive to build. The British Government is approaching the work of the disarmament conference with a determination to achieve the largest possible measure of success, and would regard it as a great misfortune if it failed to achieve concrete results.—*British Wireless.*

MINERS' HOURS CONVENTION.

BRITAIN FAVOURS RATIFICATION.

London, Feb. 23. Answering a Parliamentary question to-day, the Secretary for Mines, Mr. Isaac Foot, stated that the Government were favourably disposed towards the International Convention for miners' hours.

Detailed application of some of its provisions to British coal mines presented certain problems which were under consideration. As soon as these points had been disposed of the Government would be prepared to ratify the Convention, provided all six countries would do so at the same time.

Answering a further question, he said the Government held that the question of simultaneous ratification should be dealt with before the subsidiary difficulties were brought under consideration.—*British Wireless.*

MISLEADING TEA LABELS.

POSSIBILITY OF PROSECUTION.

London, Feb. 23. Misleading tea labels, implying that the contents are of Empire origin, whereas they are partly foreign-grown, were the subject of a question raised in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, replying, said that he was unable to recommend an order under the Merchandise Marks Act in the case of blended teas owing to technical difficulties.

He pointed out, however, that the use of misleading labels was an offence and the interested parties could prosecute if they thought fit.—*Reuter.*



Picture shows some of the Japanese Marines, who volunteered for an attack on the Wosung village, awaiting the signal to move off by motor trucks. Travelling along the darkened roads to their objective, accompanied by armoured cars, the marines, it will be recalled, launched a determined attack on the Wosung village while Japanese despatched a heavy bombardment into the fortifications. The objective remains untaken to-day.

AMERICAN MUNITIONS SALES TO JAPAN

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES DISCOURAGED.

Washington, Feb. 23.

Every effort is being made by the Government to discourage public enquiry into the supply of arms and ammunition to combatants in the Far East, though today accusations were made in the House of Representatives.

According to the correspondent of the *Baltimore Sun*, informal discussions have been proceeding between the State Department and the British and French Governments, as a result of which, the correspondent states, it has been agreed to discourage all Parliamentary discussion of sale of munitions to Japan and to China.

FIGURES REFUSED.

He further declares that the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives has agreed not to hold a public hearing of a resolution authorising the President to place an embargo upon the shipment of munitions to the belligerents, and adds that the State Department has refused figures of U.S. shipments of munitions to Japan.

The State Department's attitude is causing much speculation in view of the fact that it was previously reported that Mr. H. L. Stimson was in favour of bringing economic pressure upon Japan in order to bring peace to the Far East.

THE VICTORY CELEBRATION.

Shoemaker Before Court.

A LENIENT VIEW TAKEN.

The Chinese celebration of the Japanese reverse was not entirely free from rowdiness, though the vast majority of the demonstrators were good-natured in their enthusiasms.

At Wanchi stones were thrown at Japanese shops, but the measures taken by the Police were more than sufficient to check any tendency to disorderliness.

Placard posters were active, and one such, detected in the act of putting up a red paper bearing the title "Long Live China" near the Queen's Theatre, was arrested by a plain-clothes officer and taken to the Central Police Station, Emergency Regulations.

He appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with putting up a poster, or notice without having complied with the legal requirement that such papers must first be submitted to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs for censorship and approval.

Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds, conducting the case for the Police, stated that they had refrained from charging the man under the Emergency Regulations as they were fully entitled to do.

At the same time, they had to take the circumstances into consideration. Big disorders such as occurred recently were pre-

VIRGINIA REPORT.

It is, incidentally, reported from Hopell, Virginia, that five ships are loading nitrate for Japan. It is also reported here that munitions works in France and Czechoslovakia are making large sales to Japan.

Charges that United States munitions manufacturers and bankers have been aiding the Japanese against the Chinese were made in the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee to-day.

CHINA TURNED DOWN.

The accuser was Mr. Paul Linebarger, of Washington, who described himself as the legal advisor to the Chinese Nationalist Government.

He said that munitions to the value of \$5181,000,000 were recently sold to Japan with the assistance of United States bankers, while he was unable to obtain similar aid for China.—*Reuter's American Service.*

captivated by small beginnings.

No Offence. His Worship said he did not think that anybody could fairly say that "Long Live China" could give offence. He would be foolish to say so.

Mr. Reynolds said that they had to take the incident together with the mind of the crowd yesterday. The placard was exhibited in a locality close to Japanese shops.

His Worship agreed, but pointed out that the temper of the crowd did not appear to him to be anything but justification. Was Mr. Reynolds asking for a heavy penalty?

Fine of \$2. Mr. Reynolds replied "No." The defendant was a shoemaker. In fining the defendant \$2, his Worship advised him to stick to his last.

His Worship: I merely want to let you know that these notices must not be put up without permission.

Man with Rattle. The substance of another case brought by the Chief Detective Inspector had to do with a large tin rattle on both sides of which appeared a red placard with the characters "Let Us Celebrate our Army's victory."

It was being borne aloft, followed by a large crowd through the town during the barrage of cracker-firing yesterday, when seized by a policeman. The leader of the procession was arrested. He protested he was not guilty of anything but a patriotic desire to join in the general celebrations.

Mr. Reynolds informed his Worship that when questioned yesterday after his arrest, the accused stated that he was an unemployed seaman.

The question was again put to the accused, and he informed the Court that he was merely a hawker

on a Wuchow river boat. The purpose of the rattle was to attract customers to his wares. He added:—"I had assumed that liberty of speech was permitted in this Colony, and I therefore thought there would be no harm in expressing our sentiments."

Change of Clothing.

Mr. Reynolds stated that yesterday the defendant was attired in European clothing. To-day he had changed into his own native attire. Mr. Reynolds added that he would want to make further enquiries and suggested an increase of bail to \$100.

In remanding the defendant for forty-eight hours, his Worship said it was to enable the police to make further enquiries. He himself was not satisfied with the explanation, and would want to know more about accused.

Other Prosecutions.

From Wanchi district, eighteen cases were brought before Mr. Schofield this morning, while four defendants were from Shaokwan. When a youth aged 16 was brought before his Worship it was revealed by Inspector J. McLellan that he threw a fairly large packet of crackers which fell on a woman who was carrying a small child.

The Russian constable who effected the arrest, said he had been unable to ascertain whether the woman or the child were hurt.

Inspector McLellan stated that the district was in a pandemonium and it was impossible to see anything. "I have been instructed by the Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation that the police are not pressing these cases," added Inspector McLellan.

"No, but when the crackers actually hit people there should be a more severe penalty," replied his Worship. "The fine on this occasion will be \$50."

Money Wasted.

Several offenders who had been unable to procure bail and had spent a night in gaol were each fined \$5 on his Worship being told that there had been nothing out of the ordinary in their cases. His Worship remarked that he supposed the defendants had wasted all their money on buying crackers and thus were unable to find bail.

It was revealed in some cases that the bail allowed had been \$20 or \$25 whilst in others as much as \$100 was demanded by the officer in charge.

His Worship asked for an explanation and Inspector McLellan replied that the people who were first arrested were let out on small bail but when the firing assumed more serious dimensions he consulted the Chief Inspector and was instructed to demand \$100 bail. Nobody was released for less afterwards.

Sergeant Flaherty prosecuted two men who were alleged to have used a motor car to carry out their celebrations. The officer said the defendants were seen travelling in Queen's Road East in motor cars and were throwing crackers into the air, without any regard to traffic. There was quite a lot of traffic at the time.

Inspector McLellan commented that this was a very dangerous practice.

His Worship:—Yes even more dangerous than throwing them from a verandah. \$50 each.

Other Cases.

Three men charged by Sergeant Crossman were alleged to have thrown crackers at passing motor cars returning from the races. Each of the three men was fined \$25, or three weeks' hard labour.

Four men from the Shaokwan District were each fined \$20.

Inspector G. A. Stimson informed his Worship that whilst he was driving his car along a main road a packet of crackers was thrown into his car and went off almost in his face.

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7.00 p.m. Mail Notice, etc.

7.03-7.52 p.m. Variety.

Band-The Princetown Football

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Band-(a) The Orange and the Black

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Princetown University Band. 20355.

Humorous Song-Ho's a Good Man

to Have Around.

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Red Hot Mamma.

Sophie Tucker. 21994.

Organ Solo-The Prisoner's Song.

Organ Solo-After I Say I'm Sorry.

Jesse Crawford. 10980.

Humorous Monologue-The Trick Boys.

Marshall Cole. 22305.

Instrumental-Knobbles-Bedley.

Instrumental-Vaonahelic-Medley.

Royal Hawaiian Trio. 20281.

Song-The Rogue Song.

Song-The Narrative.

Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone). 1446.

Instrumental-Herd Gull's Dream.

Instrumental-Happy Days.

Neapolitan Trio. 10872.

8.00 p.m. (Local Time and Weather Report).

7.52-8.33 p.m. Operatic.

Cavalleria Rusticana-Selection

(Mascagni).

Cremona's Band. 35815.

Aida-There, Where the Virgin

Forests Rise (Verdi).

Aida-Again I See Thee (Verdi).

Elizabeth Reithberg and Giacomo

Lauri-Volpi. 8160.

Pagliacci-Fantasy (Leoncavallo

arr. Tavan).

Marek Weber and His Orch. V-50017.

Samson et Dalila-Is Your God Not on

High? (Saint-Saens).

Samson et Dalila-Pause, My Brothers

(Saint-Saens).

Giovanni Martinelli (Tenor). 8150.

8.33-9.03 p.m. A Concert.

Song-Trees (Kilmer-Rasbach).

Song-By the Waters of Minnetonka

(Laurance).

Ernestine Schumann-Heink (Con-

tralto). 1198.

Piano Solo-Dance of the Gnomes

(Liszt).

Piano Solo-Étude Tableaux

(Rachmaninoff).

Sergei Rachmaninoff. 1184.

Song-Mother, My Dear (Nolen-

Trehanne).

Song-A Brown Bird Singing

(Barrie-Haydn Wood).

John McCormack (Tenor). 1137.

Violin Solo-Souvenir Poétique

(Fibich).

Violin Solo-To a Wild Rose

(MacDowell).

Michel Guskoff. 19892.

9.03-11.00 p.m. Dance Pro-

gramme.

Fox Trot-I'm for You a Hundred

Per Cent.

Fox Trot-That's What I Like

About You. 22838.

Fox Trot-Keep a Song in

Your Soul.

Fox Trot-The River and Me. 22014.

Fox Trot-Freddy the Freshman.

Fox Trot-Now's the Time to

Fall in Love. 22865.

Fox Trot-Home.

Fox Trot-I Promise You. 22838.

Fox Trot-I Should Have

Known Better.

Fox Trot-You Try Somebody

Else. 22854.

Waltz-On a Little Street in

Honolulu.

Waltz-All Through the Night. 22604.

Fox Trot-River Stay Way

From my Door. 22831.

Fox Trot-Was it Wrong.

Fox Trot-You Sincere

Fox Trot-I've Found What I

Wanted in You. 22653.

Fox Trot-And Then Your Lips

Met Mine.

Fox Trot-You're Simply

Delish. 22582.

Fox Trot-I Love Love.

Fox Trot-I'll Never Leave

You. 22667.

Waltz-Call me Darling.

Waltz-When the World Was

New. 22840.

Fox Trot-I'm Learning a Lot

From You.

Fox Trot-A Big Bouquet for

You. 22510.

Fox Trot-When the Shepherd

Leads the Sheep Back Home.

Fox Trot-Under Your Window

Tonight. 22705.

Fox Trot-How the Time Can Fly.

Fox Trot-June Time is Love

Time. 22740.

Fox Trot-When I Can't be

With You.

Fox Trot-Come Easy, Go Easy.

Fox Trot-Dancing in the Dark.

Fox Trot-High and Low. 22708.

Waltz-I'm Drifting Back to

Dreamland.

Waltz-Let's Forgive and

Forget. 21008.

11.00 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press

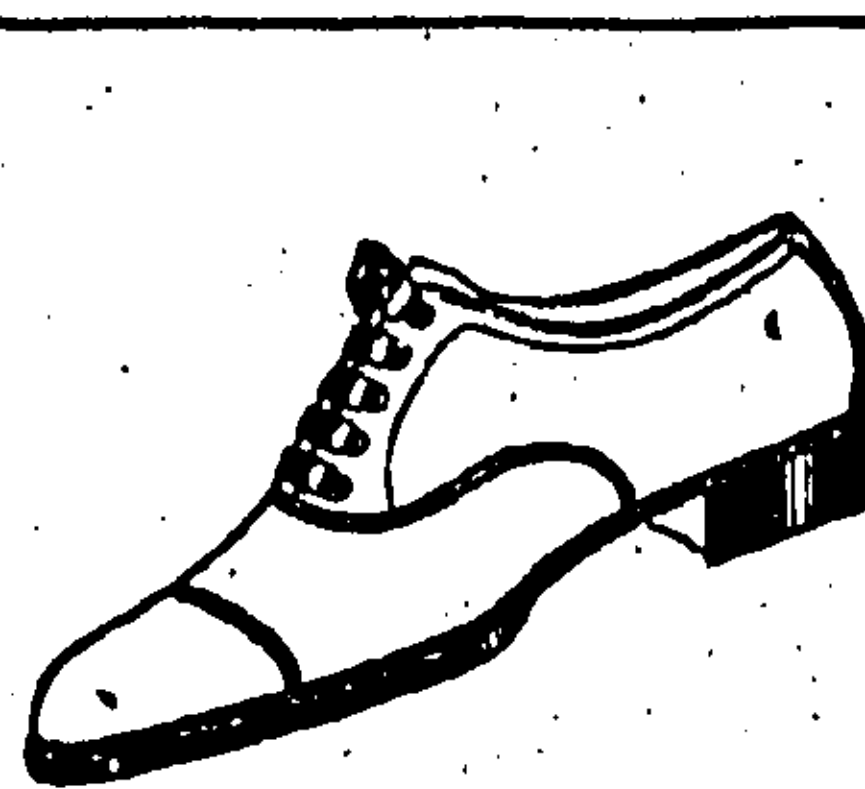
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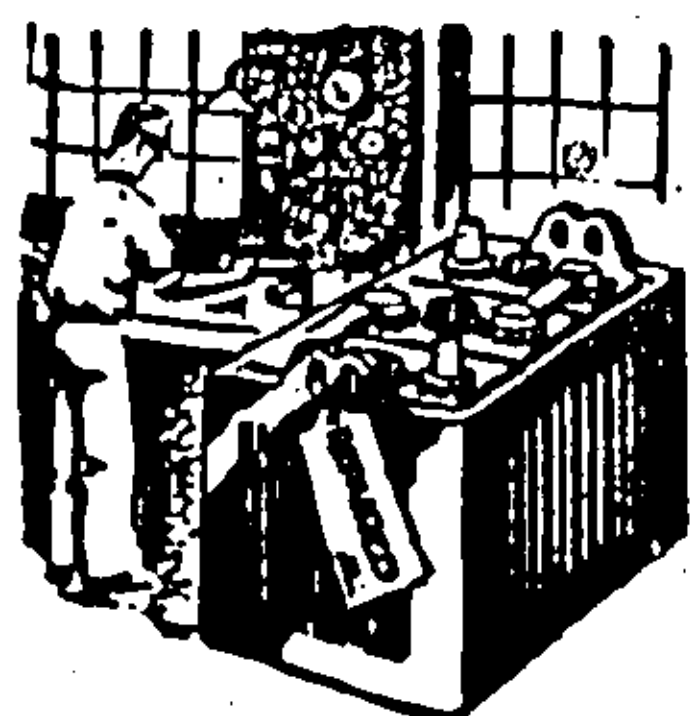
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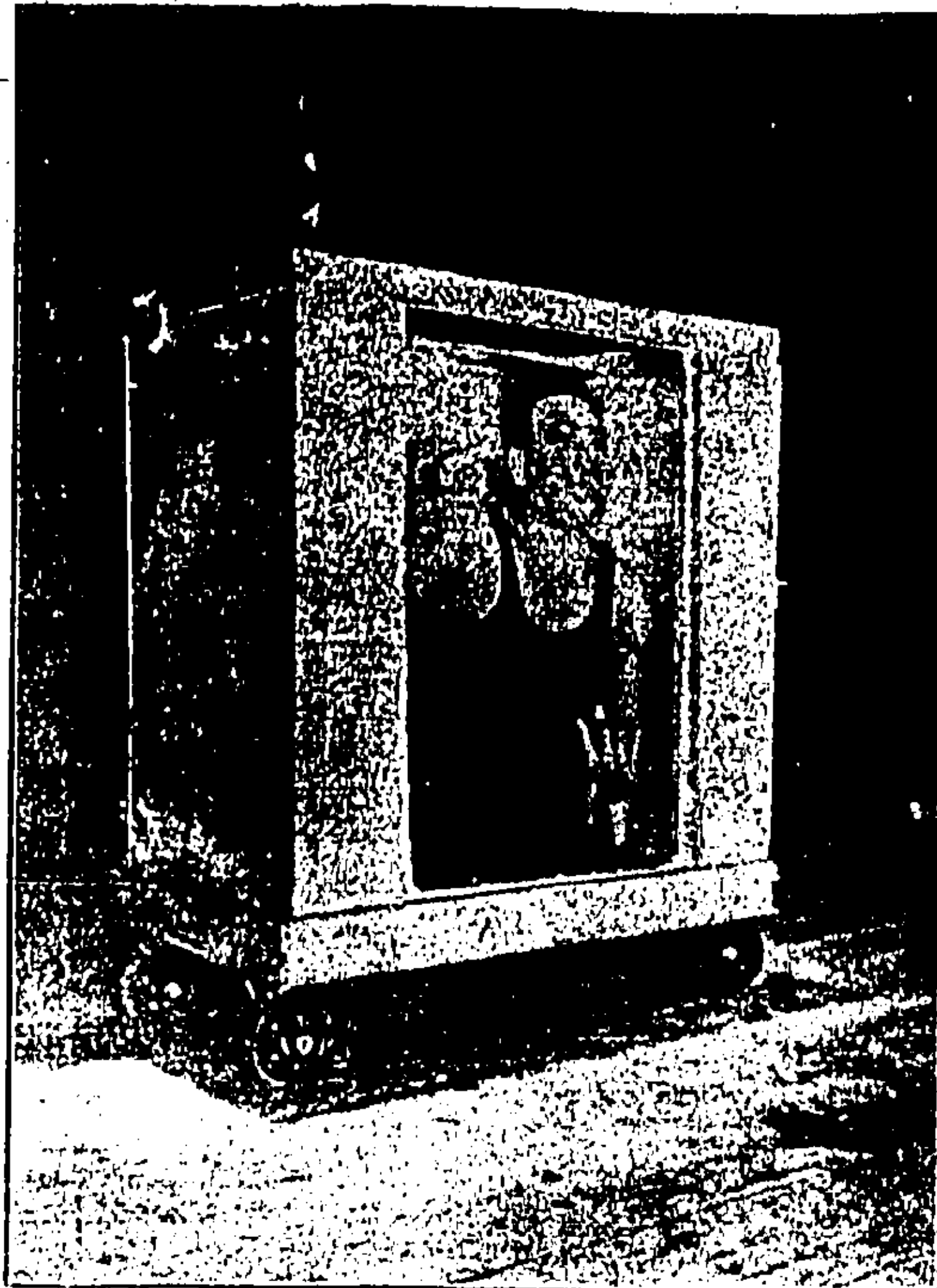
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LUSITANO CLUB SWEEP.

RESULT OF LAST NIGHT'S DRAW.

The Lusitano Club draw on the Champions was made last night. The first prize is \$8,516.00, the second, \$2,433.16 and the third, \$1,216.68. Unplaced qualified ponies receive \$61.44 each.

The draw resulted as follows:

Buchanan	11965
Much Ado	6018
Echo	7092
Lunar Star	7428
Sitting Bull	1944
Racing Boy	6227
Flying Tourist	4909
King's Bounty	1707
Gay Crusader	7140
Wild Life	13200
Diana Bay	6470
Siwash	4928
Doctor's Mandate	6579
Codman Bay	5227
Bistre	4159
Liberty Bay	4209
Glencoules	5064
Workable Stag	4566
Halter Skelter	5422
Meridian Star	8372
Sadko	7440
Path Finder	11180
Princess Hall	7733
Apollo	4211
The Field	2441

HONGKONG TRADE RELAPSE.

JAPANESE BOYCOTT EFFECT.

According to the official returns compiled by the Statistical Branch of the Imports & Exports Department, the trade of the Colony suffered a relapse in the month of January, the total value of imports amounting to \$54 million (the lowest figure since October 1930), while exports totalled \$38.3 million (the lowest figure since the short month of February 1931).

As compared with January of last year imports declined by \$5.6 millions, while exports fell \$9.7 millions.

Part of the declines in the trade of the Colony during January was due to the Chinese boycott of Japanese goods which continued with increasing intensity, the total imports from Japan amounting to only \$1.3 millions as compared with \$5.2 millions in January 1931; place goods declining by \$1.9 millions and foodstuffs by \$1.1 millions.

SHIELD SOCCER.

JUNIOR MATCHES FOR SATURDAY.

The following are the fixtures for the Junior Shield matches to be played on Saturday:

R.A.F. v Navy, Recreation ground; referee, Mr. Lawrence.

12th Bnt. v R.A.O.C.—Sookun-poo ground; referee, Mr. Ford.

Kowloon v S.W.P.—Kowloon ground; referee, Mr. Pooley.

Kick-off at 2.45 p.m. sharp. Extra time will be played if necessary.

The Senior Division Shield matches are postponed, and League matches will be played.

MACHINE-GUN RULE.

"ALL QUIET" STATEMENT AFTER DAY OF STRIKES.

London, Jan. 24.

A revolutionary strike which broke out in Barcelona and other Spanish towns had been temporarily quelled by the authorities last night.

After street fighting, in which three people were killed and a number injured, machine-guns have been mounted at strategic points throughout Barcelona, and the Minister of the Interior states that the city is now quiet.

At Malaga, says Reuter, work has been resumed, except on the quays. The strike at Corunna has ended and at Manresa work is being resumed.

In Seville the authorities, as a measure of precaution, have set up military posts on the terraces dominating the town, while three aeroplanes patrolled over the city.

Communication between towns has in some cases been rendered difficult because the revolutionaries have torn up railway tracks and cut telegraph and telephone wires.

Barcelona, the centre of the disturbance, suffered most severely. All trams, buses and trains were stopped, and many English families living in the suburbs were stranded in the city.

By way of precaution, police are patrolling the streets with rifles ready, and all approaches to the city are guarded.

CASINOS FOR BRITISH COAST RESORTS?

SUGGESTION AT SEE-BRITAIN-FIRST CONFERENCE.

Large casinos, not necessarily where gambling took place, but where cinemas, plays, bands, competitions, sun bathing, etc., could give visitors a wide choice of entertainment.

This suggestion for making home resorts attractive was made by Mr. Graham Moffatt at a weekend See-Britain-First Conference at the Palace Hotel, Paignton, Devon.

A letter from Mr. Cyril Maude, the actor-manager, contained a similar suggestion.

The conference, it is hoped, will have a far-reaching effect on health resorts all over the country by supporting the campaign to induce the British to winter in Britain.

There are about 150 delegates from various home resorts, together with eminent doctors, medical officers of health, theatrical producers, railway and travel officials, restaurant and hotel proprietors, and others.

Mr. P. R. Chappell said that they had to make the country health-resort-minded, make the resorts more attractive and get Dora restrictions removed.

A fine of \$25,000, with the alternative of one year's hard labour, was imposed on a Chinese who pleaded guilty before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning to a charge of being in possession of 1,580 tins of raw opium which was found by Revenue Officer Trenchard under the defendant's bed at 300 Lockhart Road. The value of the opium was given as \$4,740.

RIGHT WING ACTIVITY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Kiangwan. Troops are moving up rapidly in this direction in accordance with General Uyeda's need for consolidating his right flank, which was exposed to Chinese attack last night.

The Chinese are also moving troops in this direction and both are seeking to outflank the other.

MACHINE HELD.

The general view of the situation to-day is that the Japanese military machine, despite all its modern implements of war, will find it definitely impossible to push back the stubbornly resisting Chinese troops until considerable reinforcements have arrived from Japan.

The splendid morale of the Chinese soldiers, despite hideous punishment, is one of the most remarkable features of this strange "war without a declaration."

HOSPITAL SCENE.

A Reuter's representative also paid a visit to-day to a new military hospital, and under the escort of youthful Chinese nurses, some not more than sixteen years of age, asked a roomful of wounded "boy" soldiers, all members of Chiang Kai-shek's National Guard, the division which has borne the brunt of the Japanese attack and which has earned so much congratulatory comment, if they wanted to fight.

Back came shouts from every bed: "When they let us go, we shall go straight back in.o the line. We are fighting for our freedom."

NO PRISONERS.

It is a notable feature of the war that neither side is claiming to have taken any prisoners, which is indicative of the sanguinary nature of the struggle.

Snow is at present falling, adding to the difficulties of the side which adopts the offensive.

The position at Woosung shows no change. The Japanese have continued their bombardments and have several times attempted to take the Chinese positions by storm, but the Chinese are still holding the Forts and the north bank of the Woosung Creek.

HUMAN BOMBS.

In his Orders of the Day, General Uyeda praises the self-sacrifice of three Japanese privates who acting as human bombs, binding high explosives to their bodies, flung themselves at the Chinese barbed wire defences, clearing a gap for their comrades to follow.

—Reuter.

Chan Ming-Shu's Job.

Nanking, Feb. 24.

An order has been issued for the removal of the Ministry of War and all its sub-departments from Nanking to Loyang, leaving the administration of military affairs in Nanking and Shanghai in the hands of General Chan Ming-shu.—Reuter.

Soochow Bombing.

Soochow, Feb. 24.

The aerial invasion of Soochow was fruitless from the Japanese viewpoint. They were seeking out the military billets, but dropping their bombs far astray. A number of private houses were considerably damaged, but as far as is known the only casualty of the raid was an American airman.—Reuter.

H. E. the Governor is to open the new Po Leung Kuk at Leighton Hill Road at 4 p.m. on March 4th.



Top picture shows Japanese marines lining a Hongkong street, and lower showing one of the Nanking Government's machine-gun corps, demonstrates the exceedingly useful mobility of these specialist troops.

BURMA FUTURE IN BALANCE.

GOVERNMENT WAITS DECISION.

London, Feb. 23.

Asked in the House of Commons to-day whether the House would have an opportunity in the present session to discuss the report of the Burma Round Table Conference and the Government's declaration of policy on constitutional advance in Burma, Mr. Baldwin said the question was of great importance both to Burma and the Empire as a whole.

He agreed that it ought to come before Parliament, but it would be preferable to defer the Commons debate until the people of Burma had recorded their decision on the question of separation from India, because on that depended the policy of the Government.—British Wireless.

POSTAL INQUIRY ORDERED.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY P.M.G.

London, Feb. 23.

The Postmaster General has appointed a committee consisting of Lord Bridgeman (Chairman), Lord Plender and Sir John Cadman to inquire and report as to whether any changes in the constitution, status or system of organisation of the Post Office would be in the public interest.—British Wireless.

INDUSTRIES FAIR.

VISITED BY MEMBERS OF ROYAL FAMILY.

London, Feb. 23.

The Queen, the Duke and Duchess of York and other members of the Royal Family to-day paid a long visit to the Olympia branch of the British Industries Fair.—British Wireless.

SILVER RATHER STEADIER.

NEW YORK MARKET FIRM.

Silver is rather stronger to-day, advances being reported both from London and New York. The local dollar, however, remains unchanged, with practically nothing passing.

In London, silver advanced 1.8th spot and forward. China bought, and the Continent bought and sold. Sellers held off. After the official fixing, the market ruled quietly steady.

New York reports a rise of three quarters, with the market firm.

The cross-rate continues to improve, the latest quotation being 3.474.

LOCAL CRICKET.

TEAMS FOR MATCH ON H.K. C.C. GROUND.

The following teams will play on the H. K. C. C. ground at 2 p.m. sharp on Saturday.

Machine Gun Company—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), H. Owen Hughes, A. C. Beck, O. E. C. Marton, S. V. Gittins, W. D. Folley, R. M. Wood, L. D. Kilbee, B. L. Stock, J. R. Rat-

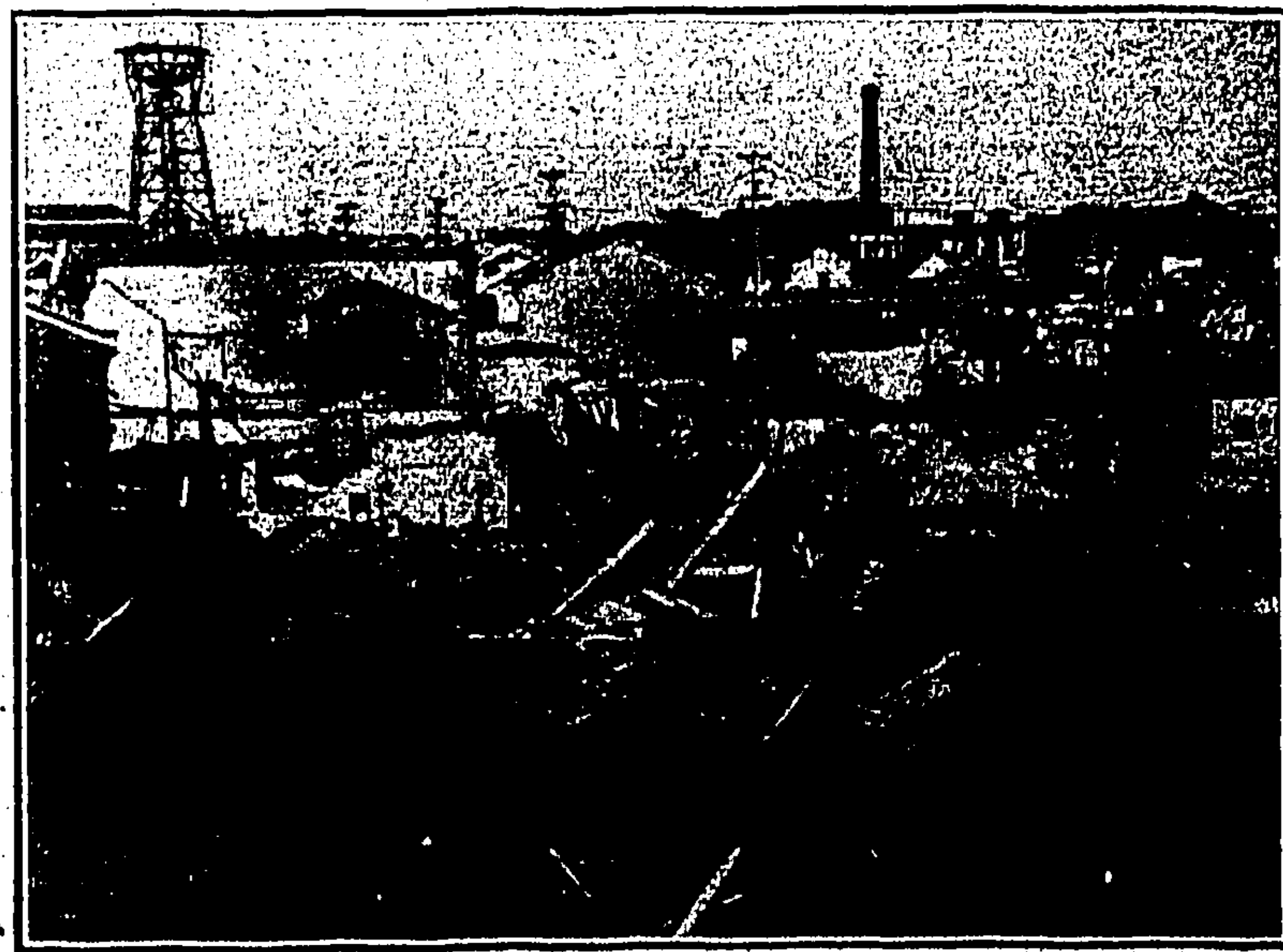
ten, A. H. Harbord.
Rest of the Club—A. Reid (Capt.), E. R. Duckitt, R. R. Davies, J. B. Davis, C. E. Gahanagan, R. P. Edwards, H. J. Armstrong, F. A. M. Elliott, R. S. W. Patterson, H. S. F. Ewin, D. S. Robb.

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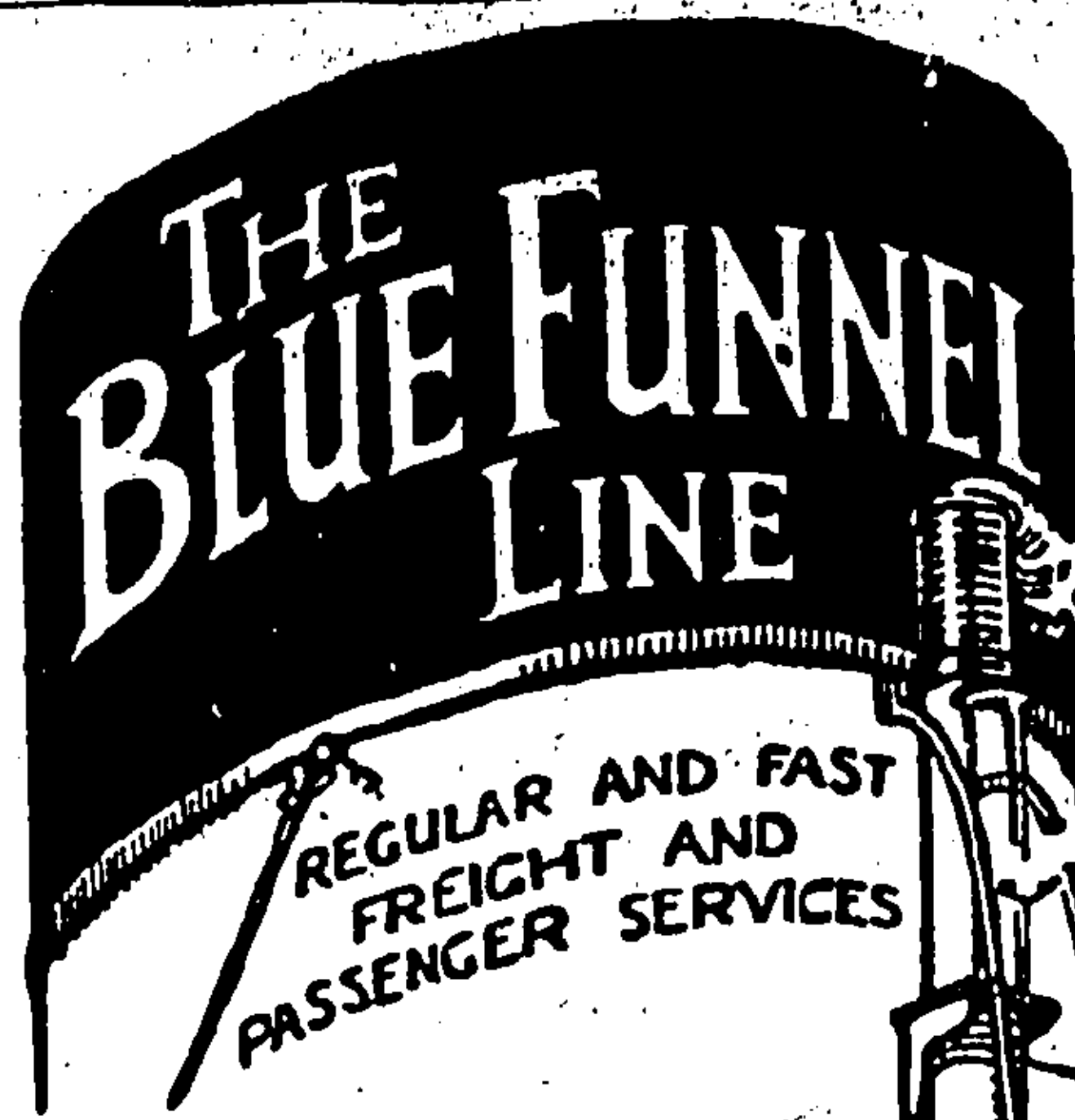
FRENCH SURTAX TO BE LIFTED.

London, Feb. 23.

The president of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman, informed the House of Commons to-day that a decree was issued in Paris this morning whereby the 15 per cent. surtax on British coal will be withdrawn as from Thursday.—British Wireless.



This photograph vividly shows the desolation in the heart of Chapel. The photographer went right up into the front lines laid by the Chinese in order to get the picture. Somewhere across this No Man's Land Japanese forces were known to be well on the alert.



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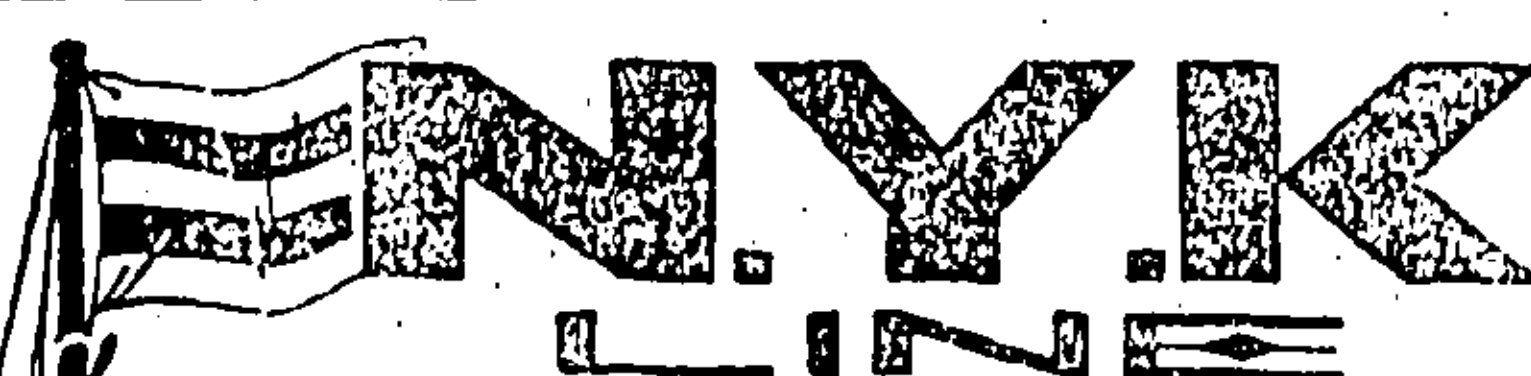
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LOCAL CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS-K.C.C. MATCH LEFT DRAWN.

The match between the Volunteers and the Kowloon Cricket Club, which was continued yesterday, ended in a draw.
 The K.C.C. resumed their first innings yesterday, and were all dismissed for twenty runs short of their opponents' score. E. F. Fincher was undefeated with 52 runs.
 The Volunteers declared their second innings closed after five wickets had fallen for 145 runs. Beck was the top-scorer with 48, and Owen Hughes got 31.
 The K.C.C. had scored 128 for the loss of four wickets when stumps were drawn. Mackay scored 44 before he was run out, and E. F. Fincher was again undefeated with 37 to his credit.
 Scores:

Volunteers.—1st. Innings.—153.

K.C.C. 1st. Innings.

E. C. Fincher, c Wolff, b Owen Hughes	0
P. E. Lawrence, b Owen Hughes	10
E. F. Fincher, not out	52
N. A. E. Mackay, b Beck	1
P. E. Skinner, c Griffiths, b Owen Hughes	1
G. Lee, b McLellan	12
F. Goodwin, c Folley, b Wolff	20
C. G. Burnett, b Owen Hughes	0
H. Hampton, lbw Beck	14
R. G. U. Mead, b Beck	0
J. C. Lynam, lbw Beck	2
Extras	6
Total	133

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. C. Beck	12.3	4	4	4
H. Owen Hughes	14	2	44	4
E. Baker	4	1	10	1
D. McLellan	7	1	10	1
Wolff	4	1	10	1

Volunteers.—2nd. Innings.

H. Owen Hughes, b Burnett	31
E. J. R. Mitchell, c E. C. Fincher, b Lynam	12
W. D. Folley, b Goodwin	19
A. C. Beck, b Burnett	48
R. H. Griffiths, not out	18
D. McLellan, b Burnett	0
F. Baker, not out	13
Extras	4
Total (for 5 wks. dec.)	145

Wolff, Kilner, Davies and Richardson did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Burnett	9	1	14	1
Goodwin	9	1	14	1
Lynam	7	1	10	1
Skinner	4	1	10	1

K.C.C. 2nd Innings.

N. A. E. Mackay, run out	44
P. E. Skinner, b Owen Hughes	37
E. F. Fincher, not out	37
G. Lee, c Beck, b McLellan	5
E. C. Fincher, b Wolff	21
C. G. Burnett, not out	13
Extras	13
Total (for 4 wks.)	128

Goodwin, Hampton, Mead, Lynam and Lawrence did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Beck	10	2	37	1
Owen Hughes	8	2	21	1
McLellan	8	1	30	1
Baker	3	1	10	1
Wolff	6	1	11	1

LEAGUE CRICKET.

Indian R.C. Teams for Saturday.

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club 1st eleven in a League match against the Kowloon Cricket Club 1st eleven at Soukumpoo on Saturday: A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.), E. D. Pereira, S. R. Kormani, A. H. Rumjahn, A. H. Madani, S. A. Ismail, O. Ismail, A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu, J. S. A. Currim and H. D. Rumjahn. Reserve.—M. el Arculi.

Indian R.C. Second.

The following will represent the Indian R.C. 2nd XI in a League match against the Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI at King's Park on Saturday, February 27, at 2 p.m. (sharp).—M. el Arculi (Capt.), A. R. Abbas, P. M. el Arculi, H. T. Hanna, A. K. Ismail, S. Ismail, M. P. Madani, K. Nazari, A. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Saffad and A. S. Saffad.

KOWLOON MARATHON.

EVENT TO BE HELD ON MARCH 14.

Arrangements are in hand for the annual Kowloon Marathon Race which will be run on Monday, March 14. This race is organized by St. Andrew's Club, and is open to all Europeans in the Colony and members of the Club.
 The course is approximately 6 1/2 miles, and starts in Nathan Road outside St. Andrew's Church. It runs in a northerly direction along Nathan Road to Waterloo Road; along Waterloo Road, Argyle Street, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City Road to Chatham Road, Salisbury Road and back into Nathan Road, finishing at the Church.
 Details are not yet complete, but will be announced shortly.

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BODIKER'S TENNIS TITLES.

WINS THREE EVENTS IN SHAMEN.

In perfect weather on Sunday last, the finals of the Shamoen Tennis Club championships were played off, when G. Bodiker won both the open and handicap men's singles events.
 Both contests produced keen struggles and the high standard of play was enjoyed by a large gathering of Shamoen residents.
 At the close, the prizes were presented by Mrs. Herbert Phillips, Major Willson, Secretary of the Club, and a Mr. Phillips, who accepted a memento in the shape of a silver flower vase. He added the Club's good wishes on her impending departure for Home.
 The complete results of the tournament were:

Ladies Singles Championship.

Won by ... Mrs. C. E. Watson.

Runners Up ... Madame Laffond.

Men's Singles Championship.

Won by ... Mr. G. Bodiker.

Runners Up ... Mr. R. More.

Men's Doubles Championship.

Winners ... G. Bodiker & C. E. Watson.

Winners ... American Baptist Mission.

(M. T. Rankin and G. W. Greene.)

Mixed Doubles Handicap.

Winners ... Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Watson.

Runners Up ... Mr. T. Rankin.

Ladies Singles Handicap.

Winner ... Madame Laffond.

Runners Up ... Madame Olivecrona.

Men's Singles Handicap.

Winner ... Mr. G. Bodiker.

Runners Up ... Mr. E. Ott.

Ladies Doubles Handicap.

Winners ... Mrs. Watson & Miss Fulton.

Runners Up ... Mrs. Wolcott & Mme. Olivecrona.

Men's Doubles Handicap.

Winners ... J. W. Pate Hunt & G. R. More.

Runners Up ... C. Willson and S. Balfour.

A Hongkong Win.

Travelling nearly two hundred miles on a single day just for a game of tennis is what S. A. Rumjahn, the well-known local player, did on Sunday when he journeyed up to Canton by the morning train, and returned by the evening train after having met the young Canton player, Leung Tak-kwong, in the few hours day he had there.

The trouble derived its reward, for "S.A." not only beat Leung Tak-kwong, the conqueror of E. C. Fincher in the Interport tournament, but did it in so convincing a manner as to win in three straight sets. The final scores were 6-4, 6-3, 6-3. "S.A." to use a name by which he is popularly known, intends to go up to Canton again next Sunday to meet G. Bodiker, the Canton singles champion.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

PROCEEDS FOR SHANGHAI REFUGEES' RELIEF.

A charity football match is to be played on Sunday afternoon on the Caroline Hill Ground between the Army and the Chinese in aid of the Relief Fund for the Shanghai Refugees. The game is timed to commence at 4.15 p.m.

The Army team has been selected as follows: Pte. Johnson (S. W. Borderers), Pte. Mullane (S. W. Borderers), and Pte. Morrison (S. W. Borderers); Pte. McLashan (A. & S. Highlanders), Pte. Channing (S. W. Borderers), and Cpl. Underwood (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Harris (S. W. Borderers), Sgt. Gillett (Royal Corps of Signals), Sgt. Cotton (Royal Corps of Signals), and Pte. Duncan (S. W. Borderers).

Reserves: Pte. Sands (R.A.O.C.), Pte. Henderson (A. & S. Highlanders), Pte. Morgan (S. W. Borderers), and Pte. Podmore (S. W. Borderers).

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before Monday the 20th February, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor.

Do not at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday the 25th February, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 15th March, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th February, 1932, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No fire insurance has been effected by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1932.

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(NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.)

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Goods not cleared by the 20th February, 1932, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period. For the examination of damaged dutiable goods, the consignees must arrange for a Revenue Officer to be present.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Hongkong, 22nd February, 1932.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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COMPANY REPORT.

THE HONGKONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LTD.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong Telephone Company to the shareholders at the meeting to be held on March 9 will state:

The Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1931, (including the sum of \$62,559.27 brought forward from the previous year), amounted to \$767,564.51. After charging \$332,724.51 for Depreciation and effecting, on the 4th August, 1931, the payment of an Interim Dividend of 4%, absorbing \$128,000.00, there remains the sum of \$306,840.00, which the Board recommend be appropriated as follows:

To payment of a Final Dividend of 6% (making 10% for the year) ... \$192,000.00

To Transfer to General Reserve (bringing same up to \$325,000) ... 50,000.00

Carry forward to next Account ... 63,840.00

\$306,840.00

Directors.

Under Article No. 105 of the Company's Articles of Association, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow and Mr. D. H. Blake retire by rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.

The accounts for the year under review have been audited by Messrs.

SOLICITOR FOR TRIAL.

ALLEGED CONVERSION OF CHEQUE.

William Douglas Sanders, aged thirty-two, solicitor, of Belgrave Court, Norfolk-terrace, Brighton, London, recently, with having received a cheque for \$450 and a banker's draft for \$4,034 on account of the executor of A. C. Liddell, converting the proceeds to his own use.

Sanders, who pleaded not guilty and reserved his defence, was committed for trial. He was allowed bail, himself in £1,000 and one surety in £500.

Mr. H. A. H. Morgan, prosecuting, said that Sanders was in practice as a solicitor at Bolton-street, W. Among his clients was Mr. Liddell, who died in 1927. Mr. Galbraith, a barrister, became sole executor under his will, and he instructed Sanders to wind up the estate.

The estate was sworn at about £50,000. Part of it consisted of a mansion at Leamington Spa, called Beachhaven.

Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, who are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.

FLOODS RUIN 1,500 HOMES.

325,000 ACRES UNDER MISSISSIPPI WATERS

1,500 families homeless. A whole town cut off. 325,000 acres flooded.

These are the outstanding features of the havoc caused by the raging waters of a Mississippi tributary that burst its banks, the ten-foot wall of flood water roaring down a valley.

It was the rampant Tallahatchie River that caused the disaster. For five weeks the waters have thundered against the Grassy Lake Levee (dam), and at last they broke through at three important points, and poured into the already partially-flooded Tippecanoe Basin.

Convict Rescuers.

Immediate orders were given for a concentration of boats at Glendora, three miles down the river.

Every available man was engaged in rescue work. Even convicts out of the gaols are being employed.

Approximately 325,000 acres are submerged in six counties in a great Mississippi inland lake of some twenty square miles. So far no lives are reported lost.

Numerous holes have been punched by the torrent in the main levee at Glendora, floating logs acting as battering rams. The only means of getting away from Glendora is by boat. Refugees in great numbers are encamped on the railway embankments. They are scantily clothed and have nothing to eat.

Red Cross headquarters at Washington were informed that 1,500 families from nine counties of Mississippi have been driven from their homes. The inhabitants of Belmont, Mississippi, are preparing to dynamite the levee below the town so as to lessen the pressure on the dykes near the houses.

MAN WHO DESIGNS FORESTS.

PLANTS OVER 20,000 ACRES EVERY YEAR.

A man who, twenty-three years ago, began as a junior inspector of the Board of Agriculture to work out the essentials of British forest policy, will in March become the Controller of 750,000 acres of land belonging to the Forestry Commission.

He is Sir Roy Lister Robinson, and he is succeeding Sir John Stirling-Maxwell as Chairman.

Sir Roy is a Triple Oxford Blue (cricket, athletics and lacrosse). The major work of the Commission is growing timber, and in the last eleven years 186,000 acres have been planted in Great Britain. The planting programme for the current season is 22,500 acres, and afterwards there will be a fixed programme of 20,000 acres a year.

Thus there are gradually developing in various parts of the country some 140 forests, chiefly of pine, spruce and Douglas fir. Some of these forests will one day be larger than the New Forest, and in years to come they will be valuable recreation centres.

ARMED ROBBERY.

THREE YOUTHS FACE A SERIOUS CHARGE.

Three Chinese youths, So Tak, Li Ming and Ko Yat-cho, were brought before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on the charge of having committed an armed robbery at No. 11 Saloon Street, second floor, on January 29.

Outlining the case, Inspector Fallon said that at about 1.15 p.m. on January 29, the three defendants went up to the second floor of No. 11 Saloon Street and entered the premises by the staircase door. At the time, there were four females and two children on the floor. One of the defendants produced a pistol, and the other two carried knives. With these weapons, they pushed the inmates into a vehicle, but did not blind them all.

The robbers then ransacked the floor and stayed there for about half an hour. At the end of that period, they left taking away with them a quantity of jewellery.

One of the women of the floor was not bound at all; the robbers did not do so because they thought she needed her hands to take care of her baby. This woman followed the robbers downstairs, and on reaching the street, raised the alarm. One of the robbers turned down a scavenging lane, while the other two made off in another direction.

A Long Chase.

Mr. Mui Singh, a Police Reservist, was passing at the time, and on hearing the cries of the woman, he went in pursuit of the robber who had turned down the scavenging lane. There followed a long chase along side streets and in the course of this chase, the robber threw away a parcel of jewellery he was holding in his hands. A Chinese student joined in the chase after a while, this additional aid resulting in the arrest of a man near Reclamation Street.

When taken to the Police Station, this man, whom Inspector Fallon alleged was the first defendant, was found to have some more jewellery on his person, and this property had since been identified by the victims of the robbery as theirs.

Pistol Recovered. Immediately after a report of

EMPIRE CONFERENCE.

MR. THOMAS PLEADS FOR HARMONY.

London, Feb. 23. "Do not let us go to Ottawa in a haggling spirit, but let us go to see what we can throw into the common pool for the benefit of all," appealed Mr. J. H. Thomas in the House of Commons, towards the close of a speech in which he waxed indignant at the expense of Major Nathan, the secretary of the Cobden Club, who moved an amendment in the committee stage of the Import Duties Bill that preference only be given to the Dominions, India and South Rhodesia if by March 31 they enacted that United Kingdom goods should be admitted free.

Mr. Thomas characterised this proposal a threat to the Dominions the same as to foreigners, as an insult. Everyone looked forward to the Ottawa conference, as perhaps the turning point in our Imperial policy. We should do our utmost to create a good atmosphere.

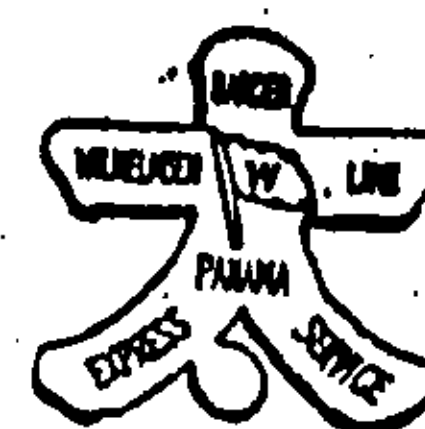
Mr. Thomas contended that the Government had made great sacrifices, though some Dominions had not done so as well, but that did not justify the amendment. "We have already shown our hands, and I believe the Dominions will respond."

The amendment was negatived without a division. *Reuter's Special Service.*

The robbery had been received by the Yau-mat Police Station, a telephone message was received from the Diocesan Girls' School. Divisional Inspector Clark personally went to the school, on the grounds of which he picked up a pistol. The inmates would say, went on Inspector Fallon, that the robbers had used a weapon very similar to the one produced in Court. There was no direct evidence to show that the pistol was the one used at the robbery, however, although evidence would be given to show that the chase led past the grounds of the Diocesan Girls' School.

On the same day, acting on information, Police Officers arrested the second and third defendants in various addresses, and they were also charged with armed robbery. No property was, however, found on them.

After evidence was taken, the case was adjourned.



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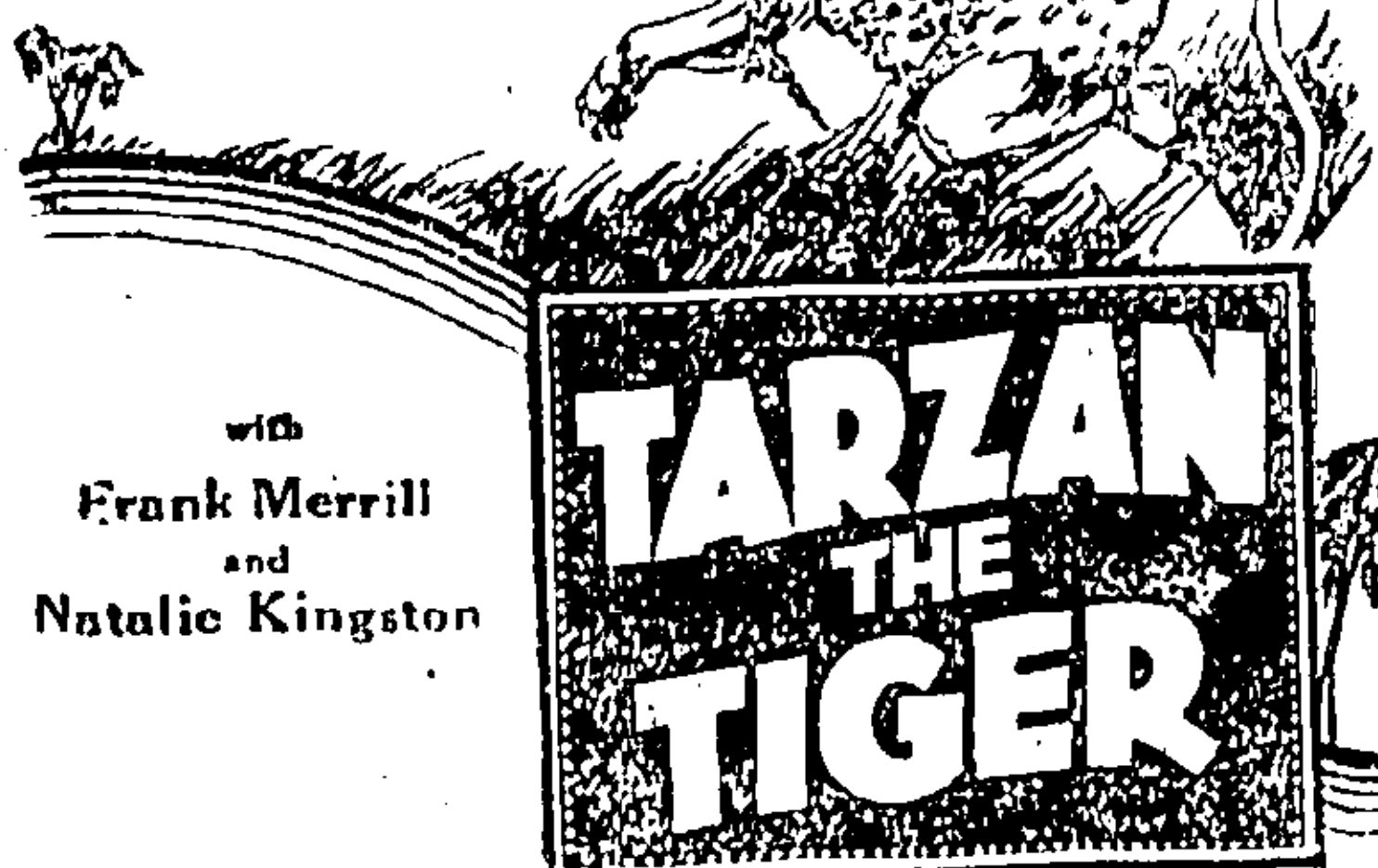
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Ladies' Day at the Races has been spoiled by the damp weather, in striking contrast to the first three days of the Meeting. Mist and rain began to make things uncomfortable just after the first race, and conditions have not improved.

In spite of this, however, a goodly crowd was present before the first race, the Ladies' Purse, King's Bounty, ridden by Mr. Y. S. Chang, getting the verdict by three-quarters of a length from Cyclamen Bay, with Boxing Eve third.

At the fifth interval, the Purse was presented to the winning jockey by Miss Kelly, daughter of Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, who was subsequently escorted to the fifth by Mr. Chang.

Mr. Quincey, riding Westland Stag in the Adelaide Stakes, was thrown near the stands on the first time round, the pony continuing round the course, riders and coming in ahead of the field. The jockey was not badly hurt.

1.—The Leighton Hill Stakes.—Winner \$150, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies Subscription Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of a race of one mile or under, (Jockey Allowance). Six Furlongs.

Mrs. Pearce's Weybridge (Mr. Chung) 1
Messrs. Mackie & Grayburn's Don (Mr. Clark) 2
Mr. Eve's Snappy Eve (Mr. Heard) 3

Fifteen starters.
Won by two lengths; a length.
Time: 1 min. 30 secs.
Parimutuel:—Winner, \$10.70.

Places, \$6.70; \$12.10; \$18.70.
2.—The Grand Stand Stakes.—Winner \$750, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies bona fide Griffins of this Club. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one race 5 lb., of two or more race 7 lb., penalty. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting—winners; no penalty; non-winners: allowed 10 lb. (Jockey Allowance). Allowances cumulative. Six Furlongs.

Mr. S. A. Lopes' Little Gem (Mr. Clark) 1
Mr. Rain's The Rationation (Mr. Dallas) 2
Mr. A. M. L. Soares' Ghost Train (Mr. Nodd) 3
Twenty starters.
Won by 3/4 length; length.
Time: 1 min. 33.3/5 secs.
Parimutuel:—Win, \$22.70.
Places, \$12; \$8.00; \$22.40.

3.—The Ladies' Purse.—Presented with \$500 added for Winner. Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this Meeting other than Subscription Griffins of this Club 7 lb. penalty. (Jockey Allowance). Once round, (about 7 Furlongs 49 Yards).

Mr. Dynasty's King's Bounty (Mr. Chang) 1
Mr. L. Dunbar's Cyclamen Bay (Mr. McCann) 2
Mr. Eve's Boxing Eve (Mr. Charles) 3

Seven starters.
Won by 3/4 length; three lengths.
Time: 1 min. 33.3/5 secs.
Parimutuel:—Winner, \$9.20.
Places, \$5.10, \$5.10, \$5.10.

4.—The Adelaide Stakes.—Winner \$1,000, Second \$300, Third \$200. For Australian Ponies of any Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this meeting barred. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Mr. L. T. P's Kilrea (Mr. Tung) 1
Mr. A. M. L. Soares' Manna (Mr. Nodd) 2
Mr. Dyer's Taiping (Mr. Heard) 3

Eleven starters.
Won by length and half; two and half lengths.
Time: 2 minutes 02.1/5 secs.
Parimutuel:—Winner, \$3.50.
Places, \$2.50; \$7.70; \$8.20.

5.—The Jockey Cup.—Winner \$500, Second \$200, Third \$100. A Cup will be presented to the winning jockey, for China Ponies that have started in and have not won a race at this Meeting and that have not at any time won three races, to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners 5 lb. penalty. Jockeys 2 lb. penalty for each race won. Maximum penalty 10 lb. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Penalties accumulative. One Mile.

Mr. Dynasty's King's Justice (Mr. Butler) 1
Mr. W. T. Stanton's Tom (Mr. Corbett) 2
Mrs. Dunbar's Time (Mr. Fung) 3

Fourteen starters.
Won by three lengths; two lengths.
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ARREST OF TRADE UNIONIST.

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London, Feb. 23.
Questioned by members of the Labour Party, in the House of Commons today, in regard to the arrest by Chinese authorities of Mr. Ruegge, one of the organisers of the Pan-Pacific Trade Union, Captain Anthony Eden said that the British Government had no authority to intervene as Ruegge is not a British subject.—*Reuter*.

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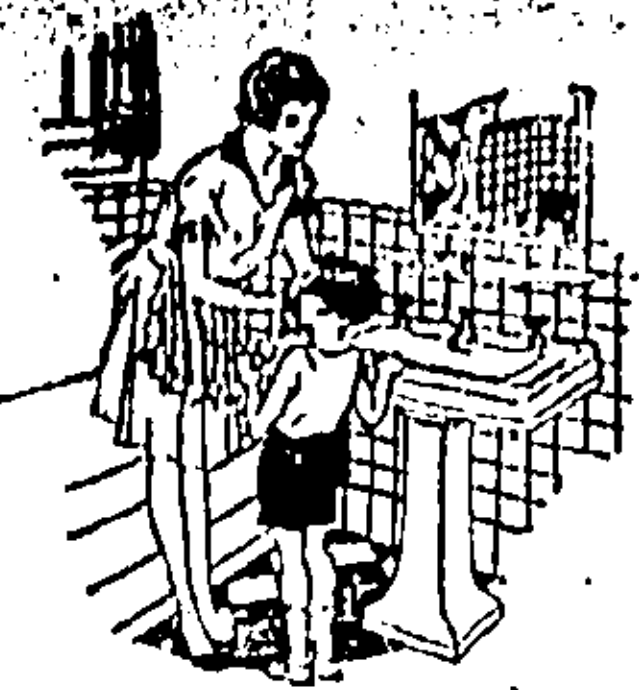
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GUILTY HANDS

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Charged before the Hon. Comdr. Inspector Hillyer said the accused Hole, at the Marine Court this morning, with having used his motor boat outside the local trade limits on February 19, the coxswain, Leung Ping-kwan, was fined \$100 or three months' imprisonment. Chief Junc

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GENERAL ASSAULT ON KIANGWAN VILLAGE.

FIERCE FIGHTING IN PROGRESS.

CHINESE CONTESTING EVERY INCH.

STREET BRUSHES IN CHAPEI AREA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 12.43 p.m.
A SANGUINARY BATTLE IS NOW PROCEEDING ON THE KIANGWAN FRONT ALONG THE LINE FROM KIANGWAN VILLAGE TO MIAOHONGCHEN, WITH THE VILLAGE AS THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE JAPANESE ONSLAUGHT WHICH WAS LAUNCHED THIS MORNING.

The rival forces had had a rest from battle of roughly twenty hours, since the Japanese were hurled back with heavy losses yesterday afternoon, and though a steady fall of snow this morning rendered conditions more than ever arduous, the Japanese attackers went into the battle with courageous daring.

They are now at grips with the steel-helmeted National Guards division (Chiang Kai-shek's Own) and heavy losses are already reported.

Hand-to-hand fighting is also proceeding in the Chapei sector, in the vicinity of the North Station, where an advancing party of Chinese came into conflict with Japanese troops. Machine-guns were extremely active after some fierce bayonet-fighting.

The Japanese are now heavily bombarding the Chinese positions, while the Chinese artillery is also exceedingly active in this sector.

CHINESE AERIAL ATTACK.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH").

Shanghai, Feb. 23, 11.30 a.m.
The Chinese offensive weapons on the Kiangwan battlefield are improving.

It is now learned that late yesterday afternoon, after all the Japanese planes had returned to their base, two Chinese aeroplanes suddenly appeared out of the blue and gave the Japanese field headquarters near Miaohongchen village an uncomfortable quarter of an hour, before Japanese planes

could be got up to drive them off. The raiders dropped a number of bombs and did a certain amount of damage, though the Japanese claim that they suffered no casualties.

They had, in any event, a very anxious time. One of the Chinese bombs dropped and exploded within a hundred feet of the field headquarters.

Then the Chinese planes cleared off before the Japanese could get up to attack them.—*Reuter*.

THE FOURTH ATTEMPT. GENERAL ATTACK FOLLOWS FIERCE BOMBARDMENT.

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 11.48 a.m.
The opening of the fourth day's attack on Kiangwan village by the Japanese was delayed this morning.

Dawn came misty and damp, but at about half past seven, Japanese aeroplanes flew over the Chinese lines reconnoitering, while an hour later, a squadron of bombing machines were sent and began a systematic aerial bombardment, being met by machine-gun fire.

BIG GUN STRAFE.

When the attack from the air was spent, the Japanese heavy bat-

teries, which have been placed on the Kiangwan racecourse, commenced their strafe, opening up a fierce bombardment which was continued until a few moments before ten o'clock.

At 10 a.m., the order for a general attack was given, infantry, tanks and armoured cars, joining in the fighting, which is still proceeding furiously.

The last message did not indicate that the Japanese were making any progress. The Chinese are replying to the Japanese attack with Stokes mortars and fierce machine-gun fire.—*Reuter*.

JAPANESE NERVOUS.

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 8.08 a.m.
The twenty-seventh morning of the Sino-Japanese conflict in Shanghai finds both armies energetically strengthening their defences in anticipation of a decisive struggle in the immediate future.

Both sides are to-day strictly on the defensive. The Japanese casualties have been heavy and the indications are that the offensive may not be resumed until further reinforcements arrive. All through the night, there was

never more than a desultory exchange of fire.

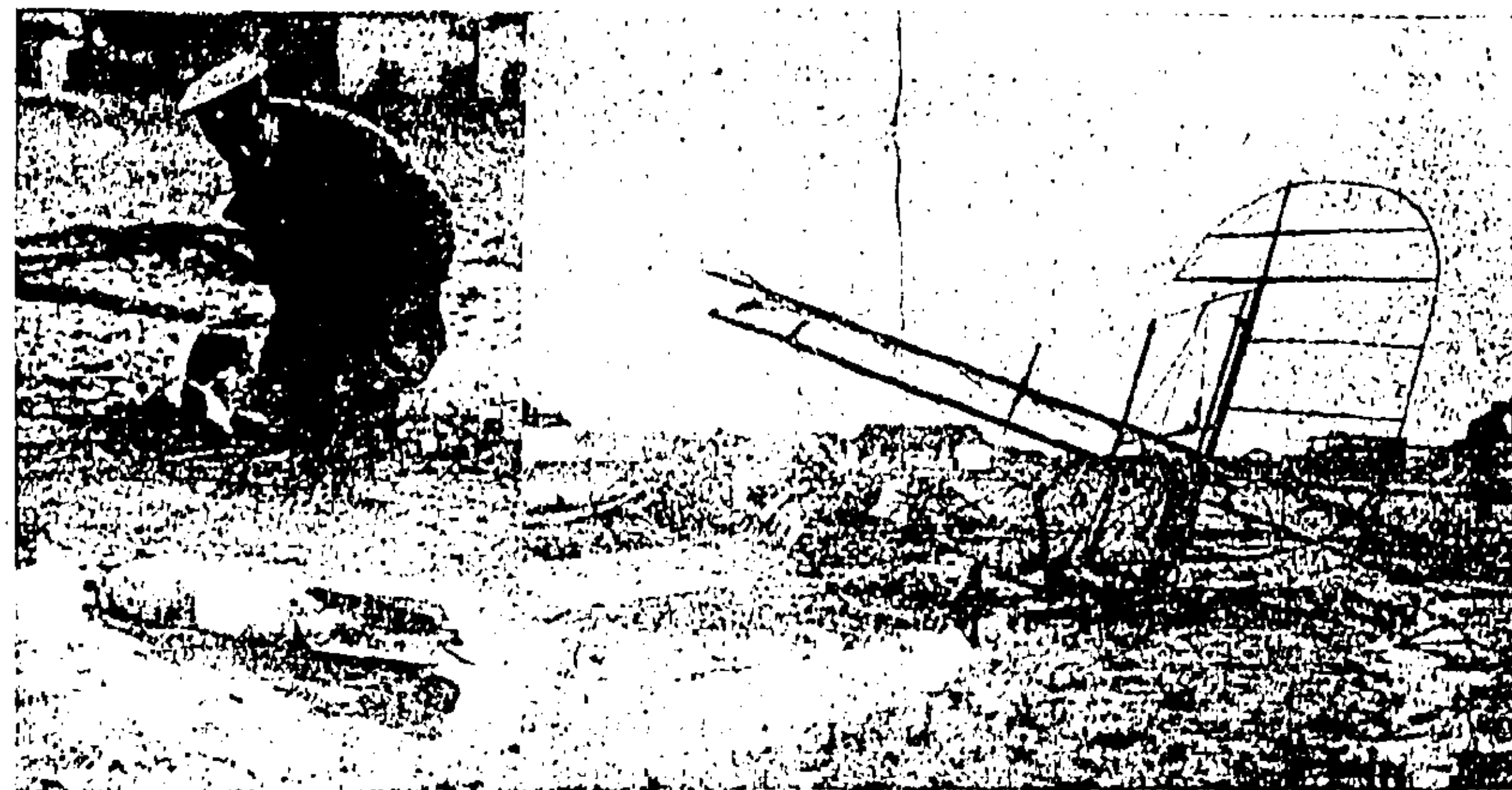
The Japanese nervousness is reflected in a decision to cancel permits enabling Pressmen to visit the Japanese lines, "in view of the danger and confusion."

The Chinese confidence is illustrated by General Tani Ting-kai's invitation to foreign journalists to take luncheon with him to-day at his field headquarters.

REPLY TO PROTEST.

A joint protest against the shelling of positions within the Settlement has been lodged by the

HOW AMERICAN PILOT CAME TO GRIEF IN AIR FIGHT OVER SOOCHOW.



The above pictures show (right) the remains of a Japanese bombing plane brought down in flames at Chienju and (left), a Chinese soldier examining an unexploded Japanese aerial bomb.

JAPANESE AIRMAN ALSO KILLED.

THRILLING STORY OF ENCOUNTER.

MYSTERY MESSAGE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 11.59 a.m.
TO A GRAPHIC STORY of how "Dare-Devil Bob" Short met his death in combat with Japanese fighting planes has been added, late this morning, a touch of mystery, in the receipt from Nanking of a message declaring that the youthful American "war-bird" is alive and well.

It is believed however that this has been occasioned by Nanking's worry about international complications. Short's exact status when he met his death is not known, but inasmuch as it is believed he was fighting for the Chinese side, the American authorities will be unable to take action.

The encounter of Short with six Japanese aeroplanes over Soochow, attesting an attack on the Chinese military barracks, provides a thrilling story.

JAPANESE KILLED ALSO.

He was not the only casualty. In the course of the machine-gun duel he accounted for the life of Lieutenant Otani, the co-pilot of one of the Japanese machines. The Japanese plane, in dual control, managed to return safely to the aerodrome at Yangtze-poo, in fact, it was only after the Japanese squadron had returned intact to their base that it was discovered that Lieut. Otani was dead from a machine-gun bullet.

OUT OF BLUE.

The encounter, it now appears, took place on Monday afternoon between three and four o'clock. "Lieut." Short was flying a crack Boeing-type pursuit plane, capable of over 150 m.p.h., newly delivered, by himself, it is believed to the Nanking Government.

Six Japanese aeroplanes, including three bombers and three pursuit planes, appeared out of the mist while Short was in the air, it appears, and the American pilot, living up to his reputation for adventure-seeking, engaged one of them.

TWEEN TWO FIRES.

Another of the Japanese fighters, however, was near-by hidden.

NEW CAMPAIGN IN MANCHURIA.

EXPEDITION AGAINST GEN. TING CHAO.

It is officially announced that the Japanese forces in Manchuria are launching a punitive expedition against the troops of General Ting Chao, who are alleged to be looting at various points along the eastern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway.

This, it is stated, is seriously endangering the lives and properties of Japanese and Korean residents, who have, accordingly, requested protection.—*Reuter*.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone appears to be central over Eastern Gobi and nearly stationary. The depression has moved to the east of Hokkaido. Local forecast:—N.E. winds; strong; generally overcast, local drizzle or mist.

by a cloud, and in a twinkling Short found himself caught between two fires.

For ten minutes, the planes swooped and awayed and pirouetted through the sky, a terrific rattling of their machine-guns sounding all the while, echoing back from Soochow city wall, after which the American suddenly nose-dived, his plane out of control, to death.

CREDITABLE FIGHT.

The Japanese report of the engagement states that the opposing airman fought extremely creditably.

The deceased airman, who once said he would be glad to die in an aeroplane, was a native of Washington, though better known in Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane. He sought to fly the Pacific last year with Major Shumaker in the City of Tacoma 11, but the attempt was abandoned.

REUTER CONFIRMS.

Shanghai, Feb. 24.
A twenty-seven-year old American, Mr. Robert Short, a pilot with a reputation for dare-devilry, was the solitary occupant of the Chinese plane which was shot down by Japanese machines at Soochow yesterday.

The somewhat startling news is contained in official reports received by the local Chinese aviation authorities.

"DARE-DEVIL BOB."

"Dare-Devil Bob" Short, who was fatally injured in the crash, was the employee of an American aeroplane concern, and was at one time connected with the Chinese Bureau of Aeronautics.

In the course of last year, he went to Tokyo in order to attempt a nonstop Transpacific flight but eventually abandoned the flight. It is stated that he had only delivered the machine in which he was killed about a week ago.

TWO THEORIES.

There are two theories regarding the occasion for his death. The first is that he took the machine into the air to pilot it to Nanking, and that when he saw the Japanese planes he engaged them of his own accord from sheer love of adventure.

The second is that he joined the Chinese air squadron for the express purpose of fighting Japanese planes. The machine in which he was killed was the latest type of American pursuit plane.—*Reuter*.

THE HONOURS TO CHINA.

VERDICT ON THE FIGHTING.

PRESS OPINION.

London, Feb. 24.
The Daily Telegraph in a leading article this morning comes to the conclusion that the honours of the first three days fighting since the expiry of the Japanese ultimatum rest with the Chinese.

The prowess of their troops, says the journal, has accomplished far more than was expected by the world at large and has done much to rehabilitate the prestige of China as a power capable of defending itself.

The indications that the fighting line will come closer to the International Settlement, following the Japanese evacuation of Hongkew, will intensify foreign anxiety lest the Settlement becomes involved in the hostilities.

The Telegraph adds that since the British Government is fully supporting the League authority, outside zealots will be well advised to leave the issue in the hands of responsible statesmen.—*Reuter*.

HEALTH PROBLEM IN SHANGHAI.

A VACCINATION CAMPAIGN.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Feb. 24, 12.15 p.m.
The Shanghai Municipal Council are now taking precautions against an outbreak of epidemic disease in the Settlement, which is apprehended as a possible consequence of the influx of thousands of refugees.

At the moment, a big-scale anti-smallpox campaign is in progress. Free vaccine is being provided and it is stated that well over 100,000 have already been vaccinated.

The Chinese authorities are co-operating with those of the Settlement.

British, Italian, French and American authorities. Replying to the protest, the Chinese authorities expressed their regrets, but denied responsibility on the ground that the Japanese were using the International Settlement as a base for their operations.

An ominous silence has at present descended on the Chapel front and along the battle-line stretching to the south of Kiangwan.

RIGHT WING ACTIVITY.

Reuter's observer reports that there is some activity on the Japanese right sector, north of the Settlement.—*Continued on Page 2.*

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8.—The Champion Stakes.—A Sweepstakes of \$100 each for Starters with \$4,000 added for Winner. Second \$1,200. Third \$750. For China Ponies, Winners at this Meeting only. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies to be ridden by Jockeys who have won at least two Official flat races anywhere, or Jockeys approved by the Stewards. One and a Quarter Miles.

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THE RESULTS OF THE PREVIOUS SEVEN RACES WILL BE FOUND ON PAGE EIGHT.

CHAN LIM PAK WINS. SMALL FORTUNE.

WINNING TICKETS IN S. CHINA SWEEP.

Mr. Chan Lim-pak, one of the wealthiest of local Chinese residents, was the holder of one of the winning tickets in the South China Athletic Association sweep on the Derby.

The Liberty Bay tickets were numbered 47172 and 37315, both of which bring the holders the sum of \$114,975.

The second prizes (Wild Life), valued at \$15,678 each, went to the holders of tickets numbered 40467 and 10562.

The third prizes (Princess Hall), valued at \$15,678 each, went to the holders of tickets numbered 40467 and 10562.

The eight (doubled) unplaced starters receiving \$1,960 each were secured by tickets numbered 43888, 36790, 31421, 16048, 01948, 12489, 41427, 41678, 02067, 12541, 01995, 43189, 26670, 13165.

THE FLU'S AMONG THE BLUES.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Feb. 23.
The influenza epidemic, which has been raging in Britain for some time, is now attacking the members of both Boat Race crews.

The strokes of both Oxford and Cambridge are stricken down and the Cambridge outing this afternoon had to be cancelled as the No. 7 was also down.

Oxford, with a substitute stroke, covered the Hurdley Regatta course, a mile and 65 yards in 7 minutes 25 seconds.

HITLER AND THE PRESIDENCY.

(Reuter's Special Service).

Berlin, Feb. 24.
The rather comic problem of giving Herr Hitler German citizenship in order that he can become a Presidential candidate has been solved.

Hitler is to be made a Professor of Politic Pedagogics at the Brunswick University and in order to meet the objections that the appointment is only "camouflage," Hitler will deliver an address at Brunswick to-day.

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NUMBER.

The first number of Vol. III of the *Hongkong Naturalist* is to appear in March. It will contain splendid illustrations of flowering shrubs, birds' nests, crabs, a leopard and deer and many other interesting things besides numerous figures in the text.

The contributors to this number are Mr. A. H. Crook, Lieut. Commander S. R. Ascherson, R.N., Commander E. A. Aylmer, R.N., and others. The subscription to the volume is \$7 a year. Particulars may be seen in an advertisement in this issue.

In the editorial appearing in this coming number the editor, Dr. G. A. C. Herklotz, says:

In a Colony such as Hongkong, where the resident population of Europeans is constantly changing, it is no easy task to maintain continuity of policy. This journal was started two years ago by four men three of whom have now left the Colony. The departure of Mr. A. H. Crook we have already deplored and now we have lost Major H. P. V. Hutson D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., R.E., whose articles on our local birds have been so much enjoyed, and Lieut. Comdr. A. M. Hughes R.N., whose beautiful paintings of Hongkong birds have added colour and life to our pages.

A Notable Writer.

Major Hutson came to this Colony with a reputation as a keen ornithologist; his field observations on the birds of Northern Nigeria have been in part published in the *Ibis* and in part incorporated in the *Banner*. His work on the "Birds of Northern Nigeria" in *Hongkong* he compiled a card index of all the birds recognised with certainty by himself, including full data of times and localities. This list, which contained 140 names at the time of his departure, is being kept by the *Naturalist* and supplemented and added to as further facts are obtained. (The number of species recorded now stands at 144). Largely due to the efforts of Major Hutson, nests and eggs of some 20-40 birds have been found and examined, an attainment of no mean order in a Colony like Hongkong where so many birds are migrants and where Chinese boys ruthlessly rob the eggs and young from those few that do remain to nest.

Lieut. Commander Hughes' paintings have been largely responsible for the welcome that has been accorded to the *Naturalist* during the past two years. Whilst regretting his departure we can still enjoy his work as he has left behind a number of paintings for our use and since leaving us has sent more out from England. We hope that he will continue to be a source of pleasure to our readers by sending us more of his delightful paintings.

Government Aid.

We must again thank the Hongkong Government for voting a grant to our journal for the purpose of defraying the cost of reproducing Lieut. Comdr. Hughes' paintings. The grant, though not as large as for 1931, will nevertheless cover the cost of one coloured plate in each of the four issues for the year. The series of ornithological articles commenced by Major Hutson will be continued by Commander E. A. Aylmer R.N. We ask readers who are interested in birds to send, either to the Editor, or direct to Commander Aylmer such notes, or queries, on Arrivals, Departures, Nesting, etc., that they may wish, so that their observations may be incorporated in the "Ornithological Notes" and thus placed on permanent record.

A third loss during 1931, to the regular contributors' list of this journal, is that of Mr. Soame Jenyns who has left Government

WOOSUNG THRILLS DESCRIBED.

LINER IN THE THICK OF A BATTLE.

A thrilling account of the experience of passengers aboard the steamer *President Lincoln*, which became involved in the fighting off Woosung forts as it was leaving Shanghai, was given in an interview yesterday by Mr. M. Ezra, well-known Shanghai business man, who is on a trip to Hongkong.

In the course of the interview, Mr. Ezra said that the *President Lincoln* left Shanghai at noon on Saturday after hostilities had been resumed between the Japanese and Chinese forces.

Up to the point everything was quiet, said Mr. Ezra, and it was not until we passed there that the Japanese offensive had commenced. From the boat-deck of the steamer we could see the Japanese aerodrome, where there must have been fully twenty-five bombers warming up in readiness to take off. Three or four others were in the air, circling over the field. A little further down the Whangpoo River we heard the sounds of heavy firing, and suddenly in the bend of the river we saw the flashes from the Japanese cruisers, apparently bombarding what remained of the Woosung forts, or some area north of there.

Destroyers Appear.

As we came abreast of the railway yards, the Headquarters of the Japanese army, two Japanese destroyers suddenly moved forward and took up position about a hundred yards ahead of us. When they reached Woosung village they commenced firing heavily, their objective appearing to be some mills and a building to the right of them. Evidently the destroyers were trying to dislodge some machine gun nests in the neighbourhood, for shell after shell was dropped on the buildings.

Service here in Hongkong and has joined the staff of the Ceramics Department at the British Museum. We hope that Mr. Jenyns will continue to write for us and here may we say how much his articles have been appreciated.

Assistance Rendered.

In an editorial such as this we naturally thank those who have helped us in the past but we should not neglect to thank those who are still helping us. May we mention here in particular the staff of the Royal Observatory Hongkong who continue to supply us with "Climatological Data." A few words of thanks also are necessary to those scientists in all parts of the world who are helping us classify and describe our collections; may we especially record our appreciation of the co-operation which Chinese biologists in Nanking and Peking have extended to us.

We contemplate increasing in size and variety the "Notes and Comments" section of the *Naturalist* and appeal to readers, not only in Hongkong and South China, but also in other countries to aid us in this connexion. An attempt is being made to improve the quality of reproduction of photographs in this journal; this of course results in an increase in the costs of production and therefore we may be unable to maintain either the quality of the 1/2 tone plates, or the number of them, in succeeding issues.

There are many groups of animals and plants, other than birds, which we should like to reproduce in colour; a fund has therefore been inaugurated, contributions to which will be very welcome, the sole purpose of which is to meet the costs of the reproduction of extra coloured plates. Dr. C. M. Cooke of Honolulu has very kindly given us \$200.00 H.K. with which we have opened this fund and at the time of going to press sub-

sequent donations have brought the sum to a total of \$487. We shall keep our readers informed of the state of this fund and rely on all our friends who can do so to contribute to it.

The bridge at Woosung Creek was demolished and was in absolute ruins. Here and there fires were raging fiercely, and huge craters could be seen everywhere.

The Real Thrill.

All this time the two Japanese destroyers were keeping exactly 100 yards ahead of us, and curiously enough they maintained the same speed as our ship, firing all the while at the forts, which fortunately did not reply with anything heavier than machine-guns. We could not turn back owing to the narrowness of the river, and our ship kept blowing the alarm for the Japanese destroyers to let us pass.

But the real thrill was to come suddenly the Japanese destroyers stopped, and just as we slowly drew level with them, opened with salvo after salvo at their objective. They were hardly thirty yards away from us, and it was most exciting to look down from the boat-deck of the ship and watch the gun crew loading their guns, firing at the word of command, and ejecting the empty shells.

Had the Chinese not restrained their fire, it is problematical what the result would have been. They would only have had to slightly elevate one of their guns to find a neutral billet for the shells. Curiously enough we did not see a single Chinese soldier, although the rat-a-tat of their machine guns could be plainly heard.

British Flag Still Flying.

The British flag was still flying proudly over the Woosung Fort Hotel, which, with the exception of slight damage to one corner, appeared to be undamaged. The landscape around the Woosung forts was absolutely unrecognisable, and what remained of the guns in the fort, were pointing up in all sorts of fantastic angles. One of the radio masts was still standing, the other had disappeared.

As we steamed out of the Whangpoo we could see the long line of Japanese cruisers and destroyers aiming apparently to the north of the forts. The Chinese were entrenched at the river's edge, because for the first time I could see the flashes from their field pieces. Some of the Japanese shells were falling short, and were throwing up huge columns of water.

By now we were getting out of the torrid zone, and shortly afterwards passed a Japanese aircraft-carrier, with a fleet of planes in the water besides it. Nearly was H.M.S. Cornwall, whose

The Use and Abuse of Purgatives for Children.

It was recently reported in an English newspaper that an eminent medical man condemned the use of castor oil for children. Castor oil imposes a great strain on their internal organs, it was stated, and in the experience of the writer, many children had been permanently harmed by the use of this powerful purgative. Senna and salts are also not without drawbacks, for the action of these crude laxatives is irritant and often damaging to the delicate internal membranes of the child.

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EMPRESS LINERS.

NOT TO PROCEED UP RIVER AT SHANGHAI.

Owing to the risk from shellfire in the Whangpoo River, the Canadian-Pacific Steamship Co. have decided that in future Empress liners will not proceed up the river to Shanghai, but will anchor at Woosung, passengers being transhipped to and from the steamers by launches.

The Empress of Canada, which left Shanghai yesterday for Vancouver was the first vessel to come under the new scheme.

Officers and men were keenly interested in the fighting.

We were all ordered off the boat-deck when the fighting commenced and were requested to take shelter below, but some of us managed to stay on deck, and watch from there the whole episode, which lasted fully half-an-hour.

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THIS IS TH' LAST TIME I'M GONNA WARN YA! IF I FIND MY ROOM ALL UPSET AGAIN, I'M MOVIN' OUT—AND THAT'S THAT!

CIRCUS BREAKS UP: INTERESTING LONDON MUSICAL RELICS ON SHOW



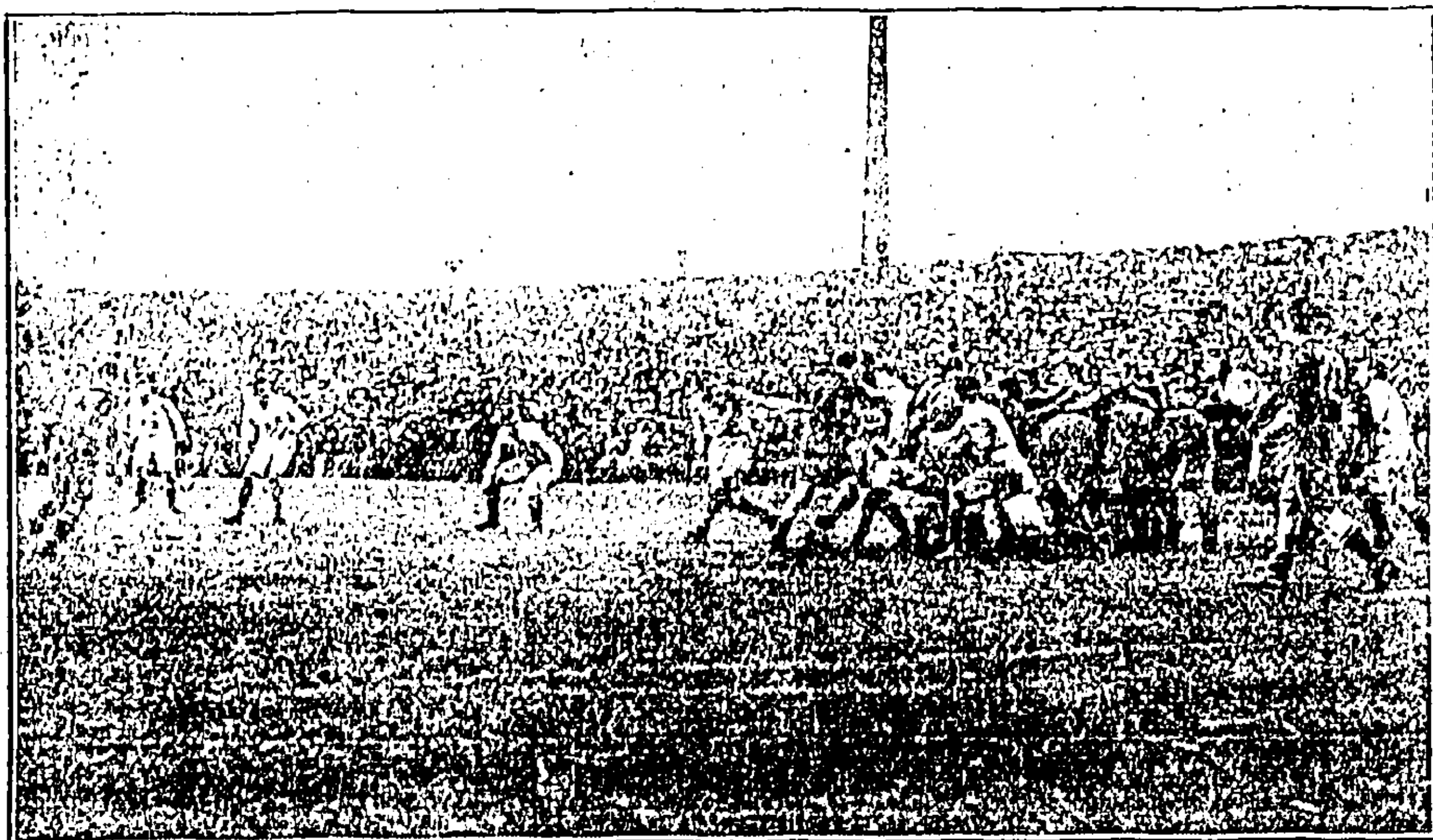
The animals from Blotock and Wombwell's menagerie, which has closed down, arrived at Dunstable from Glasgow (Jan. 18), and were taken to the Zoological park at Whipsnade. Our picture shows two of the camels and an elephant on the way to Whipsnade.—(Times copyright).



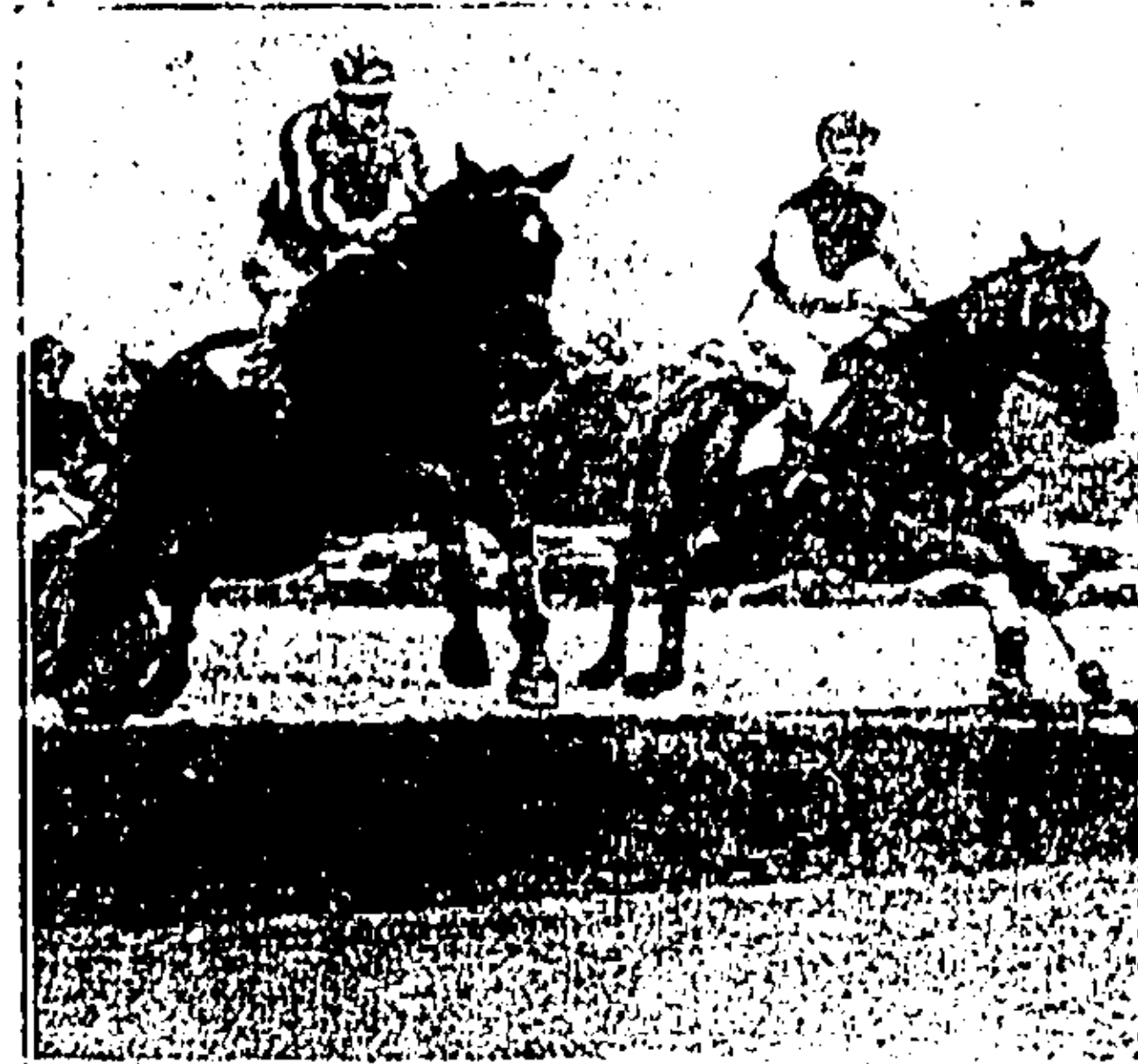
Mr. E. Metcalf's Gardeners Supremacy, winner of a Challenge Certificate for Bedding at the National Terrier Show. (Times copyright).



The guitar used by Lady Hamilton about 1800, an interesting exhibit by Mr. Ernest Makower.



The South Africans ended their most successful tour by beating Scotland at Murrayfield by two tries to a try. Out of the 26 matches played they have won 23, drawn two, and lost one. Our picture shows the breaking up of a scrum near the Scottish line and a section of the crowd of about 60,000 present.—(Times copyright).



A feature of the meeting at Lingfield on Jan. 18, was a dead heat between two Grand National horses, Drintyre and Sir Lindsay, in the Burrow Double Handicap Steeplechase. They are seen taking the water jump together, Sir Lindsay on the left.—(Times copyright).

THREE KINDS OF LOVE

by KAY CLEAVER STRAHAN

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.
Anne, Ceily and Mary-Frances Fenwick are with their grandmothers, once wealthy, now impoverished. Anne and Ceily's earnings support the household. The sisters have been orphaned since childhood. The grandmothers are known respectively as "Rosalie" and "Grand" and they insist on keeping up pretences of their former wealth. Anne, 28, and Ceily, 25, do everything with and Mary-Frances, 15, is still in school. When the story opens Anne has been engaged to Philip Leroy, a rising clerk, for eight years.

Ceily brings Harry McKel home to dinner, who has known him only a short time but is falling in love with him. Mary-Frances and her friend, Ermintrude, are excited about the arrival of a stock company never known as Earl de Armand. This meet him on the street next day and he speaks to them. Mary-Frances is thrilled, agrees to meet him that night after the performance.

Phil telephones Anne asking her to go on a picnic. She refuses because it is her night to cook at home. Phil, annoyed, takes Letty King, a rising clerk, on the picnic.

CHAPTER XIII
Three more trilled affirmatives before Mary-Frances turned from the telephone to Ann. "Mayn't I please go over to Ermintrude's for just half an hour? Ple-ase?"
"No," said Ann firmly. "You were there last night. I told you that I wanted you to help me this evening."

"But what in the world," asked Rosalie, though indulgently, "is this notion of yours about cleaning the hall to-night, Ann? Such an odd time to choose."

engagements for this evening you should insist that Mary-Frances make none?"
"No," Ann said. "The hall must be cleaned, and I think Mary-Frances should be willing to help. It takes hours for one person to dust the grille work on the stairs, and—"

Rosalie inserted, "But why to-night? Isn't evening rather a strange time to begin house cleaning?"
"It is the only time I have."

"Now, now, Ann!" Rosalie shook a playful finger. "Don't you recall a little story—or—um—something about the early bird?"
Ann did not answer that. She spoke, instead, to Mary-Frances. "I'm tired to-night, honey, and the hall must be cleaned. It has been needing it for weeks now, you know. If you really don't wish to help me, you needn't. Only—I sort of thought you'd rather help me than to have me do it alone."

"I guess I'd just as soon," said Mary-Frances. "All right, Ann, angel, I'll tell Ermintrude I can't."

Grand cleared his throat and gestured detainingly toward Mary-Frances. "One moment, my darling," he said. "I fear that I have fallen far behind in this discussion and have, in consequence, failed of its conclusion. I do not question your motives, Ann—dear Ann—but I do question your decision. To clean the front hall at a late hour on a spring evening! The front hall. Suppose that guests should arrive in the midst of this process of cleaning. Suppose—"

I shall put it differently. Who is to decide what these duties and responsibilities shall be? Of what they shall consist? In other words, do you little girls not forget, sometimes at least, that your Rosalie and grand are still able to take care of places—able and willing—as heads of this household? I am and certainly. I understand only too well how this—I shall not call it thoughtlessness nor carelessness—to spare Rosalie and me is at its height, I know. That I know. But our shoulders are still broad, and we are here with you children for but one purpose.

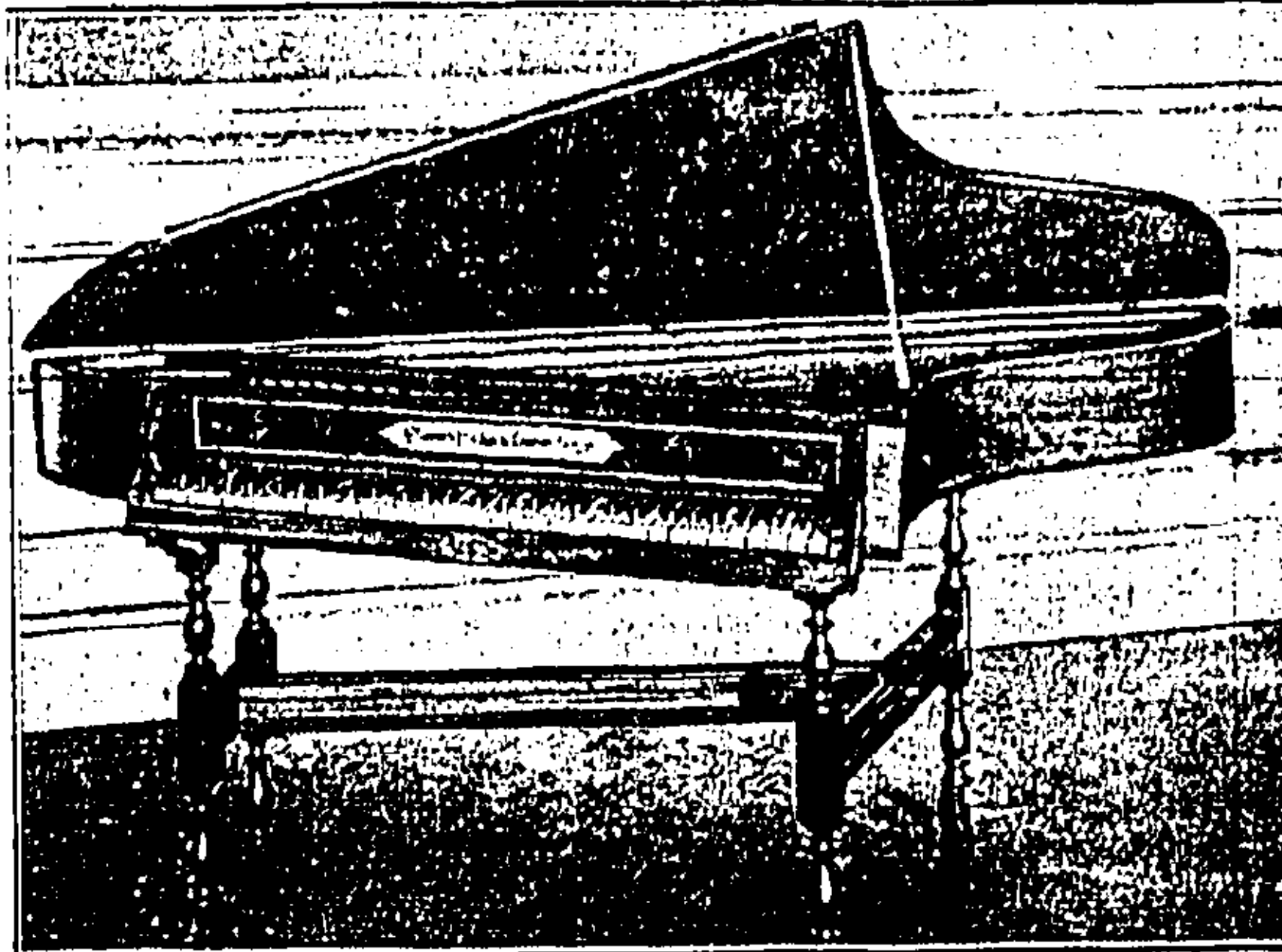
"Shift the burden, little Ann. Shift the burden. And now, Mary-Frances, with my full and free consent, and I trust with Ann's, you may telephone to your little friend and invite her here to your home to spend the evening with you."

Ann nodded and said, "All right, dear." To Mary-Frances, and Rosalie commented concerning how easy it was to have life flow along like a song. "It is only a matter," said Rosalie, "of our all singing together the same sweet little loving tune."

Letty tossed away her cigarette and Philip stopped being informative about birds and rose from the blanket spread over the wet grass to put his heel on the smoldering stub.

She said, "Oh, that's the third one I've made you stand up to put out, all in a row, isn't it?" and giggled a little. "I just don't seem to remember about forest fires and things."

Quite all right," Philip answered, and sat down again opposite her with the same yard and a half of brown and red Indian blanket spaced between them.



An interesting relic of musical London in the past included in the exhibition which was opened on Jan. 16, in the London Museum, Lancaster House. Our picture shows a spinet made about 1710 by Thomas Hitchcock, who introduced the instrument to England.—(Times copyright).

"Buy, and all like that. Anything important I can always remember."

"And you don't consider forest fires important?" Philip smiled, though, as he questioned.

"Well, of course I do. But I know perfectly well that a fire wouldn't start out here now when everything is so wet. I'll bet anything you couldn't start one if you tried."

"It is the principle of the thing, isn't it?" Philip asked gently. "If one gets into the habit of throwing lighted cigarettes about when they aren't dangerous, one might easily forget at some time when they would constitute a real hazard."

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A big decline in the number of American tourists into France during the past year is revealed by Mr. J. J. Kenna, the American Consul-General in Paris.

Mr. Kenna said that while complete data of tourists' movements were lacking, 40,000 fewer Americans arrived at Cherbourg in 1931 than the previous year.

ing—those firm lips under that handsome moustache. . . . "Tell me," he said half teasingly, "what are you much for?"

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NEW ADVERTISEMENT

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G. R. LEIR,
Hony. Secretary.

THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child.

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

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All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

The informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

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Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, 25th February, the supply of electricity to the area bounded by Nan Chang Street, Lai Chi Kok Road, Tong Mi Road and the Sea will be disconnected from 7 a.m. until dusk for the purpose of carrying out necessary work on high-tension mains.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-third Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on Wednesday, 23rd March, 1932 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1931 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 10th March 1932 to 23rd March 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1932.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY LIMITED will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 9th Day of March, 1932, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hongkong at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the Financial Year ended 31st December, 1931, and re-electing Two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to 9th MARCH, 1932, both days inclusive.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1932.

By Order of the Board,
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.
14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1932.
24th and 25th
February, 1932.

On Wednesday, 24th February, the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m.

The interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—(ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all costs, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

A limited number of Tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from No. 1 Box, Telephone No. 21920.

No pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tie Men etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tickets will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,
C. E. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1932.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 10th March, 1932, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 1st March, 1932, to Thursday, the 10th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPPELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1932.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at the VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, the 3rd MARCH, 1932, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

ENTRIES will DEFINITELY CLOSE at noon on THURSDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1932, at the Hon. Secretary's Office, 11, Queen's Road, Central, but intending Exhibitors are requested to SEND IN THEIR ENTITIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

Members who have not yet paid their subscription and ALL THOSE who WISH to JOIN the Society are requested to send \$5.00 immediately to the Undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 27th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 15th February, to Saturday, the 27th February, 1932 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1932.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Monday, the 29th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 18th February, to Monday, 22nd February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1932.

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CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Jane Darwell, the Widow Douglas of Paramount's "Tom Sawyer" and "Huckleberry Finn" was re-signed, by that company, to portray one of the outstanding roles in the romance, "Ladies of the Big House" featuring Sylvia Sydney and Gene Raymond. The picture, which is a heart-grabbing love story of two young persons who get in a mix-up with gangsters and are caught and convicted of murder, though innocent, is the featured attraction at the King's Theatre.

Miss Darwell made her screen debut in the second motion picture ever produced by Paramount. It was "Brewster's Millions" and was produced in the historic barn that was the original Paramount studio. Had she arrived in Hollywood a week sooner Miss Darwell would have been in Paramount's first film.

Miss Darwell returned to the stage after two years and returned to pleasure to make her talking screen debut in "Tom Sawyer." She is one of the older school of melodramatic and repertoire stage show artists, and has played hundreds of roles in all parts of the country.

"Canaries Sometimes Sing." "Extraneous disturbances" are the bane of the "Talkie" director. A cough, perhaps the dropping of an aspirin, a shuffle or any sound at the moment the microphone is alive is dreaded. Tom Walls, who directed "Canaries Sometimes Sing" will be shown at the King's Theatre next Sunday, says the fear that something untoward will happen during the taking of a scene is very wearing. The possibility of a disturbance is always in one's mind—and there are other little troubles. He told of the canary which was an important part in "Canaries Sometimes Sing." "Percy" was required to be disconsolate and, therefore, quiet in his cage. But the property people selected a cock bird which perched in singing and spoiled three or four scenes. Then they introduced a hen bird which, after the manner of her sex, twittered when she should not have done.

"The Rosary." The development of the story of Britain's best drama to date which is showing tomorrow at the Queen's, presents a vivid contrast between the pictures of two half-sisters, Mary Edwards and Vera Manning. Vera is taken for a week-end by her boss, Ronald Overton, and when the latter meets and falls in love with Mary later, she tells Mary that she is going to have a baby, with the result that Mary renounces her lover and attempts to enter a convent. Returning home from an interview with the Mother Superior, Mary arrives to find Vera standing over the dead body of Overton's rival, Dalmayne, but with the advent of the police, Mary again sacrifices herself for her sister, and confesses to the crime. After a dramatic trial, during which the girl again lies nobly for her sister's sake, a verdict is delivered of "Not Guilty," and Mary once more goes to the convent. Here she is interrupted later by Vera and Ronald, Vera to confess that she lied about the coming of the baby, and Ronald to become reconciled with Mary. The picture closes with the figure of Vera, the nun, kneeling at her prie-dieu reciting her rosary. There is a subsidiary development which shows Vera's father to be a forger, but this is merely a narrative device to give colour to the girl's quarrel with Dalmayne. The dominating angle, of course, is the self-sacrifice of the noble sister, and this is punched home in sequences which show her willingness to give up love and honour, and even life itself, for the sake of her unworthy sister.

"Guilty Hands."

Two students of criminology were joined in the making of "Guilty Hands," the thrilling murder mystery drama which will open at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday next with Lionel Barrymore playing the featured role.

They were Bayard Veiller, noted dramatist, who wrote the story directly for the talkie screen, and W. S. Van Dyke, who directed it for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Veiller, known for such mystery plays as "The Trial of Mary Dugan," has obtained his unusual plots through his many years study of crime and criminal psychology. Van Dyke, a former newspaperman, has made an exhaustive study of criminology and numbers among his close friends some of the nation's leading crime investigators.

Between the two, they are said to have produced a screen mystery which sets a new mark for thrill, excitement and surprise. The story revolves about an attorney who murders his daughter's fiancé and reveals an amazing ingenuity in hiding his crime. The manner in which he is eventually exposed brings the plot to a startling and totally unexpected climax.

Included in the cast are Kay Francis, Madge Evans, William Bakewell, C. Aubrey Smith, Polly Moran and Alan Mowbray.

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The Public are, however, warned that, as this Service is somewhat precarious and still liable to suspension without notice, letters will only be accepted at senders' risks. In the event of the service being again suspended all letters will be forwarded via Suez.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed.

It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the General Post Office that on and after 1st February no taxed correspondence will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Box-holders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Box-holders' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the delivery of the letters or packets.

The Parcel Post Service to Shanghai and North China is fully resumed as from to-day.

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U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 6th February)	Pres. Taft	February 26
Japan and Shanghai	Kitano Maru	February 26
Japan	Naldora	February 26
Manila	Kidderpore	February 27
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln	February 29
Japan	D'Artagnan	March 1
Japan	Felix Roussel	March 2
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco, 5th February)	Haruna Maru	March 4
Australia and Manila	Pres. Polk	March 5
Japan	Nankin	March 5
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 12th February)	Chichibu Maru	March 5
	Arizona Maru	March 6
	Pres. Coolidge	March 7

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Date and Time.
Amoy	Tai Yuen ... Wed., Feb. 24, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru ... Thur., Feb. 25, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea ... Thur., Feb. 25, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Kaying ... Thur., Feb. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Foochow	Luchow ... Thurs., Feb. 25, 3.30 p.m.
*Straits and Calcutta	Hosang ... Fri., Feb. 26
	Parcels ... Fri., Feb. 26, 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang ... Fri., Feb. 26, 1 p.m.
Holbow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiungchow ... Fri., Feb. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia, and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Kitano Maru ... Sat., Feb. 27
	Reg. ... 8.45 a.m.
	Letters ... 8.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island, 10th March)

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

For	Date and Time.
Parcels	... Sat., Feb. 26, 4.30 p.m.
Reg.	... Feb. 27, 9 a.m.
Letters	... Feb. 27, 10 a.m.
G.P.O.	... Feb. 28, 5 p.m.
Reg.	... Feb. 27, 9.45 a.m.
Letters	... Feb. 27, 10.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles, 25th March)	
Liangchow	... Sat., Feb. 27, 3.30 p.m.
Anshun	... Sun., Feb. 28, 9 a.m.
Canton Maru	... Sun., Feb. 28, 9 a.m.
Hikawa Maru	... Mon., Feb. 29, 5 p.m.
(Due Vancouver B.C., 21st March)	
Hikawa Maru	... Mon., Feb. 29
Reg.	... Feb. 29, 5 p.m.
Letters	... Feb. 29, 6 p.m.
G.P.O.	... Mar. 1, 1.15 p.m.
Reg.	... Mar. 1, 1.15 p.m.
Letters	... Mar. 1, 2 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 31st March)	

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

For	Date and Time.
Parcels	... Tues., Mar. 1, Noon
Reg.	... Mar. 1, 1.15 p.m.
Letters	... Mar. 1, 2 p.m.
(Due San Francisco, 22nd March)	
Norviken	... Tues., Mar. 1, 5 p.m.
Mausang	... Wed., Mar. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Shinyo Maru	... Wed., Mar. 2, 2.30 p.m.
Epr. of Russia	... Fri., Mar. 4
Parcels	... Mar. 3, 5 p.m.
Reg.	... Mar. 4, 9.15 a.m.
Letters	... Mar. 4, 10 a.m.
(Due Vancouver B.C., 21st March)	

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

For	Date and Time.
Haruna Maru	... Fri., Mar. 4
K.P.O.	... Mar. 4, 4.30 p.m.
Reg.	... Mar. 4, 4.30 p.m.
Letters	... Mar. 4, 5 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 2nd April)	

Superscribed Correspondence only.

and national security, was explained in the Chamber of Deputies early in the debate on the Government's foreign policy today.

M. Pierre Foreest, the former Minister for Public Works, suggested that France should abandon reparations entirely and that the United States should cancel the French war debt.

Then France would cut her expenditure on military defence by 25 per cent., whereupon the United States would sign a security pact, guaranteeing the safety of France.

M. Foreest urged M. Laval to bring this scheme to the notice of President Hoover. The ex-Minister was loudly applauded by members of the Left Wing parties.

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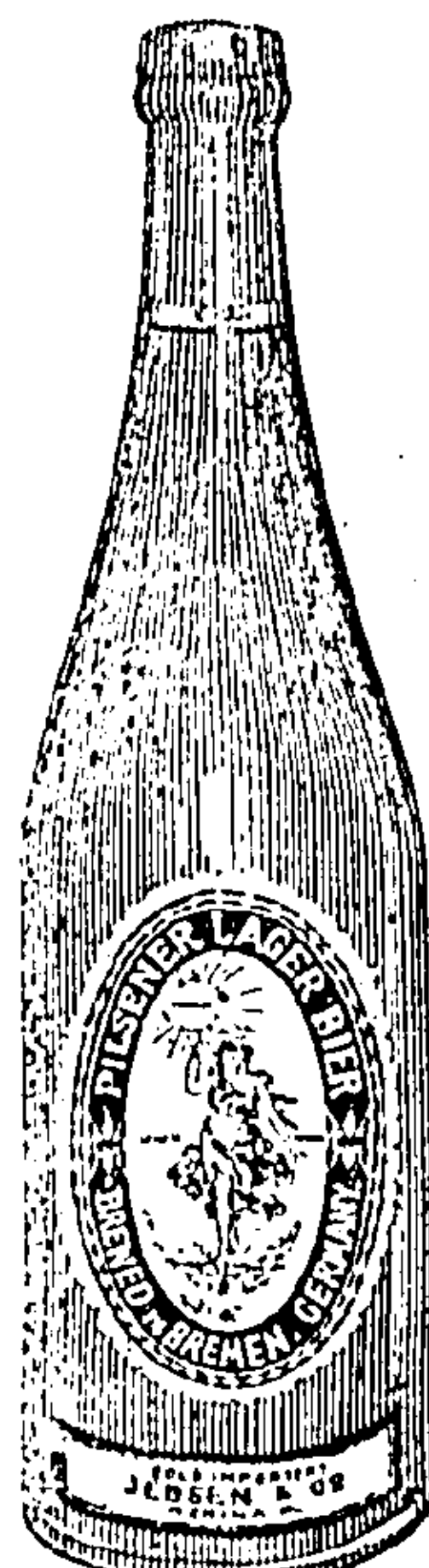
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2. Use a cleansing or cold cream to remove all make-up last thing at night—and do not omit to remove all traces of the cream afterwards. So many women observe the first of these points and overlook the second.
3. Nourish the skin with an occasional kneading. To do this correctly, follow an expert chart, or have a lesson treatment, thoroughly kneading the muscles of the face and throat with a firm pressure, using skin food. For hollow cheeks, start the kneading movements at the middle of the chin, using the fingers of each hand, and rubbing outward and upward firmly but gently towards the middle of the ears. Use a rotary movement always, each circle about the size of a half-crown.
4. Help your beauty culture by relieving the tired feeling that comes after shopping or working. Do this by rotating the palms of the hands from the centre of the forehead outward, and over the back of the ears downward to the sides of the neck.
5. Give the pores a special treatment occasionally. Do this either by steaming the skin by holding the face over a bowl of boiling water, under a "tent" formed by a towel, or, if your skin is delicate, by using a pore cleanser.
6. Use an eyebrow and eyelash brush as often as you use a hair brush. It will be as effective in giving a well-groomed appearance.
7. Use a hand lotion and a hand exercise to keep the skin smooth and the fingers supple. Place the cream or lotion in the palm of one hand, cover with the other hand with a firm grasp, and rotate deeply without lifting the palm.
8. Give dry hair a weekly olive oil treatment. Heat the oil and apply to the scalp, sleeping with a cloth bound tightly round the head. Shampoo the hair in the usual way the next morning.

BEAUTY HINTS.

[By Alicia Hart.]

Sherrin often stands in the way of improving your looks. Such little blemishes as warts often detract greatly from an otherwise pleasing countenance.

Older women, especially, should face such blemishes and decide to do something about them. Taking off warts is no colossal chore. The best beauty specialists can have them off in a jiffy and no hurt to you while removing them.

It is a mistake, I think, to try to remove blemishes yourself unless you know something about the electric needle or about the chemicals you use. Why run the risk, when it actually is a specialist's job?

But regardless of how you have your blemish removed, do have it off. This, of course, would include having any wart on your nose, chin, cheek or forehead taken off.

In addition to desiring as much beauty as possible, one other good reason for having your blemishes removed now is that they do not, unfortunately, improve with age.

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This is the "pancake" beret, the newest thing for sports if you prefer. It is fashioned of a round piece of felt, just like a pancake.

YOUR CHILDREN.

[By Olive Roberts Barton]

What has happened to physiology? Are we turning to the "psychic" instead—learning about the tricks of the mind and forgetting we have bodies?

In our school we had to learn it when we were little. I think we started in the fifth or sixth grade. When we were through with the primer we were given another, greener and taller and fatter physiology book. When we were through with that, we knew at least that we were not stuffed with feathers, and that the alimentary canal did not run from Albany to Buffalo as one child in my room years later wrote on a geography paper.

In that school they did not teach physiology and where the youngster got hold of the word alimentary always puzzled me.

To go back to my own childhood, when I was thirteen I knew these things: the number of bones in the body and the names of most of them; the shape, position and function of every vital organ; the processes of assimilation, the lacteals and the lymphatic system that carries nourishment; the two circulatory systems in which the veins and arteries reverse the direction and composition of their streams, the veins carrying purified blood this time back to the heart to be recast on its way; the six senses and the minute mechanical make-up of ears, eyes, nose and throat; the difference between the esophagus and the thachien; what the larynx was and how to pronounce it!

Bone structure, from the honey-comb process to the periosteum; heart valves, compartments and the one it swings in—with all their real names. The lungs and the process of respiration; the secret of capillaries and cells; the coats of the stomach, the coats of the intestines, everything that has a coat or set of coats.

Well—I am out of breath, but there was a lot more. The most important nerves, the construction of the brain, and so on.

You probably had all this, too, so it is history to you. But so many schools have dropped physiology and hygiene from their

TO-DAY'S RECIPES.**Orange Pie.**

Mix one tablespoonful of cornstarch with one cup of white sugar, and then add the juice of two oranges and the grated rind of one. Mix well and add the yolks of two eggs (well beaten). Cook without boiling until thick, and before removing from the stove add a piece of butter the size of a small egg. Pour into a piecrust (which has been previously baked), and cover the top with the whites of two eggs well beaten and sweetened. Place in the oven for a few minutes until a light brown.

Orange Cups.—For this get six oranges, 2oz. desiccated coconut, and a square of orange jelly. Halve the oranges carefully and take out the pulp, leaving two complete cups of the skins. Prepare the jelly in the usual way, adding a teaspoon fresh lemon juice and a tablespoon fine sugar. When cold, break up with two forks, and fill each cup with the jelly. Set in paper cases and sprinkle some of the coconut over each.

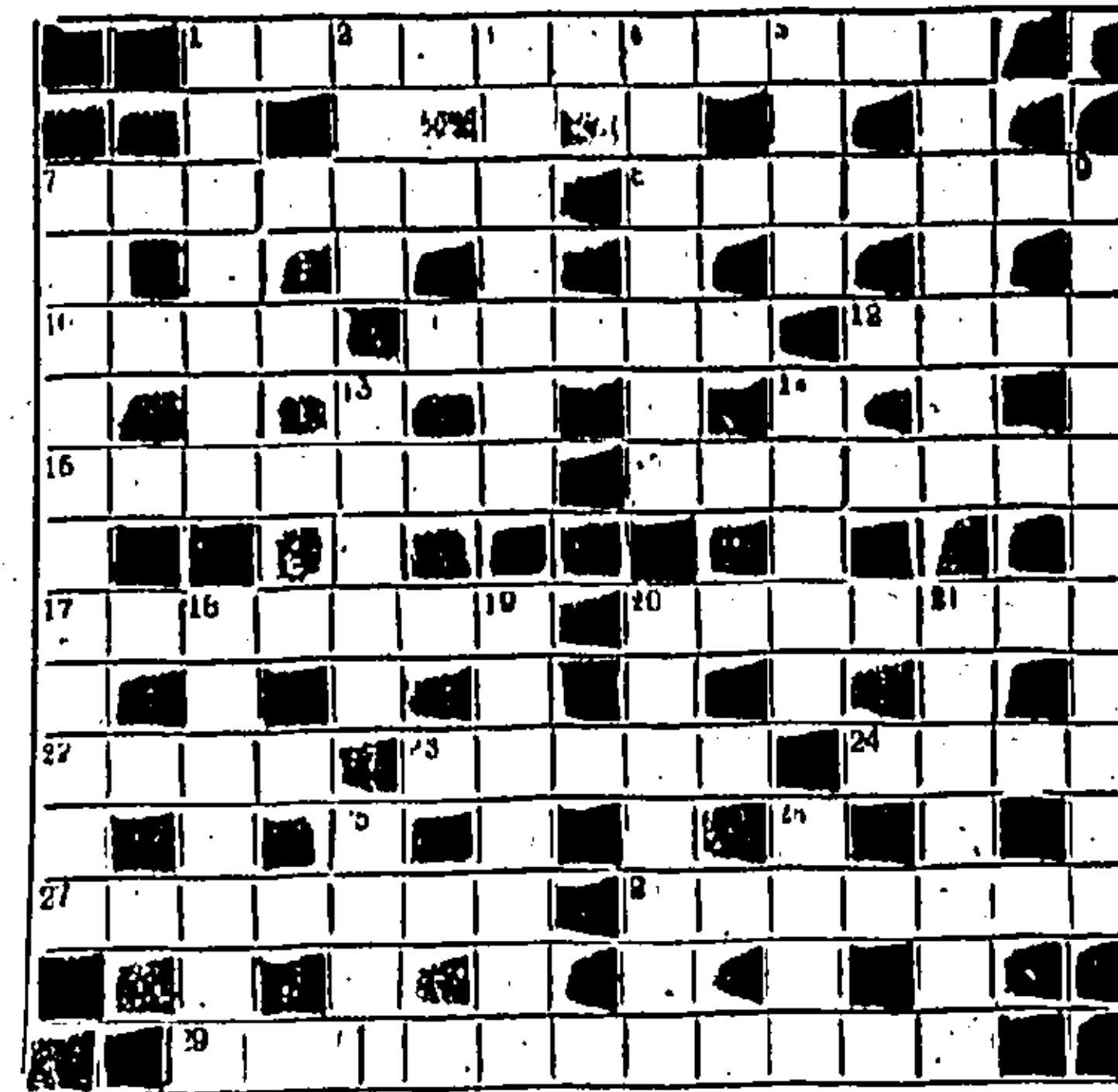
Frosted Oranges.—Remove the skin and pith from eight oranges, being careful not to break the fruit. Run a thread through the centre of each. Add 1lb. of caster sugar to the whites of seven fresh eggs and beat together for 20 minutes. Fold the oranges by the thread and dip them into the beaten sugar and eggs, covering them all over with the mixture. Pass a stick through the thread and hang the oranges before the fire until the sugar is dry. Serve with cream.

courses that the above resume would route thousands of children today.

And I think it is too bad.

Of course we don't want education to deteriorate into facts, and facts only, but information, and a lot of it never hurt anybody. And I consider that to be ignorant of our own machinery is unpardonable. The hygiene or care of the body I consider necessary.

At best it can only be a smattering of all there is to know, but if I am acquainted with my right arms as well as I think I am I want to call those bones that do so much for me by their first names, and the muscles, too.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.**Across**

- 1 However different things be, if they do this, they must agree in time.
- 7 This ancient Greek somewhat displeased his middle.
- 8 Appears to have a hidden meaning, and sounds like advice to visit a Mediterranean island.
- 10 By his these the piper got rid of them with their heads turned.
- 11 A duffer to hold her hand without squeezing it.
- 15 Not stuff!
- 16 "Be not as—in submission as in offence" (Merry Wives of Windsor).
- 17 I confess I this, but so was Romeo and Don Juan.
- 20 Novelist.
- 22 You can get the tube in this part of Scotland.
- 23 You mustn't come to this here (two words).
- 24 All but the passengers, though you might think the cox did it.
- 27 Not a soap box, but a speaker's stand nevertheless.
- 28 Not a fraction for example in bury.
- 29 Epithet for an unapostolic Peter.

Down

- 1 You could not call this fair.
- 2 A reverse could almost paralyze such fruit.
- 3 Herb poisonous to fowls.
- 4 It describes a great Englishman's remedy in Cockney fashion, and isn't easily understood.
- 5 Seen in the kitchen.
- 6 Its tail is mighty smart, though it appears to leave without a

head.

- 7 Vulgar stiffness and colour describe a tribunal abolished in King Charles' reign.
- 9 A broadcasting station across the Channel.
- 13 Furnish with possibilities of endless wonder.
- 14 Seems to indicate exactly when to give satisfaction.
- 18 A corps that might prefer a brush with the foe to close quarters.
- 19 The reason why a Damascus woman learns to smile with her eyes.
- 20 Prescribed for the "jumps."
- 21 "Derange" (anag.).
- 25 Ship: mythological, if seemingly slangy.
- 26 A stable that you often have to look on the floor to find.

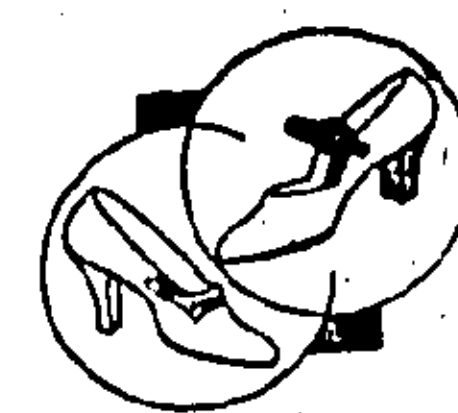
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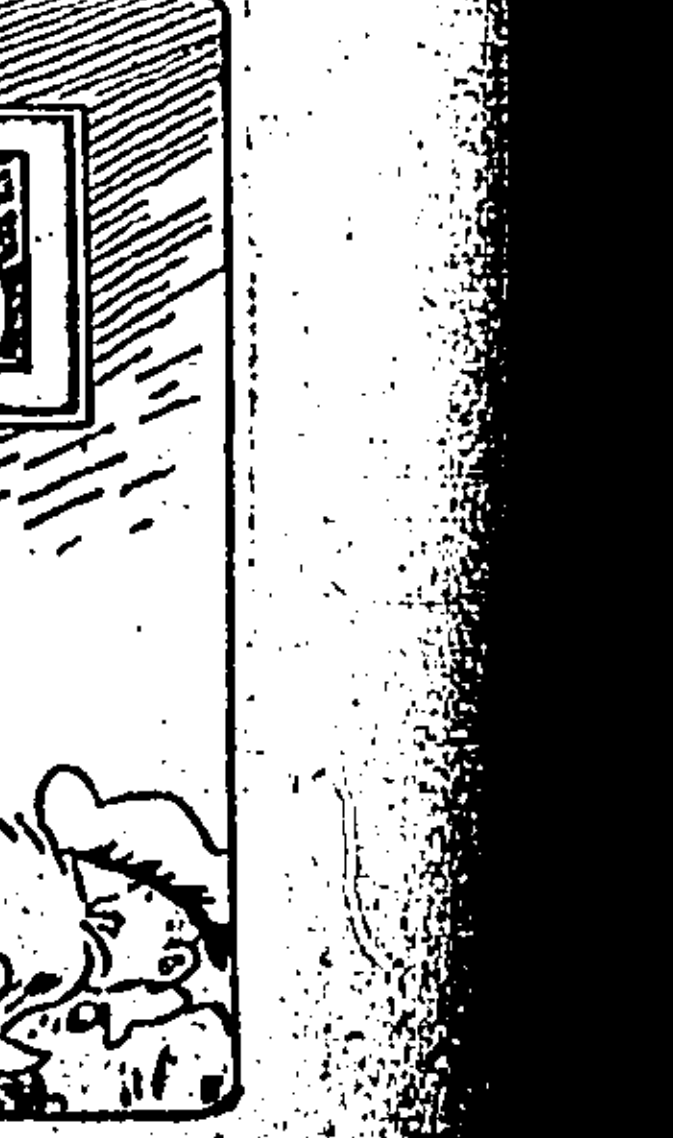
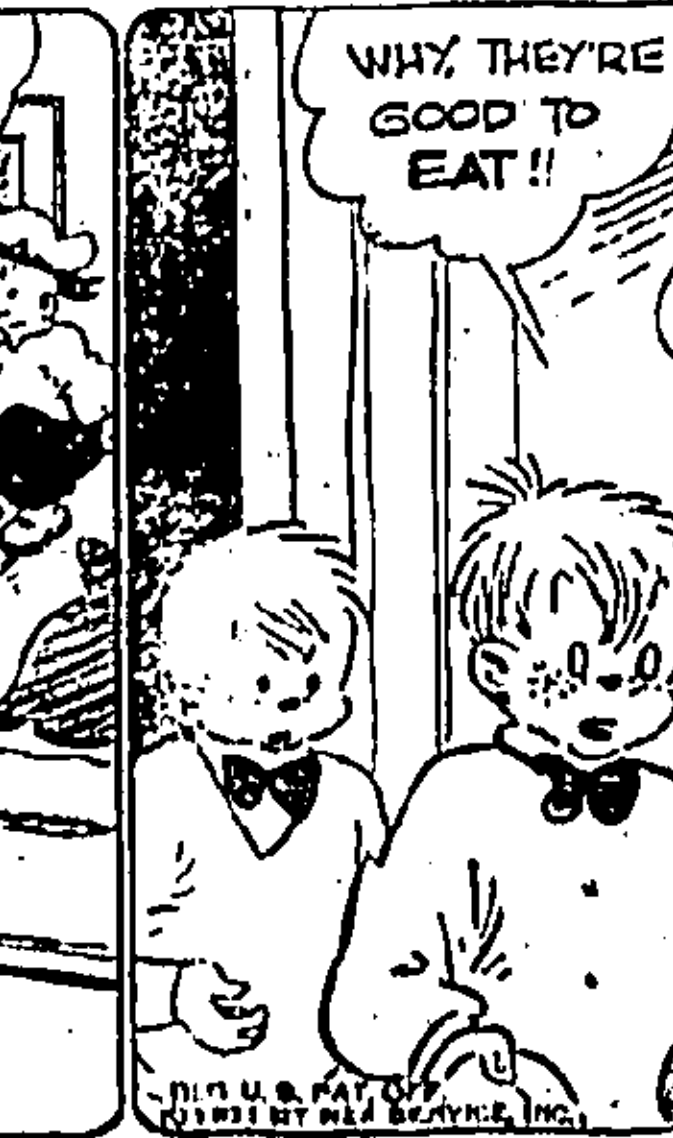
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PREMATURE.

No-one with any sense of ad-
miration for the splendid and sur-
prising fight which the Chinese
are putting up in Shanghai would
be grudge the defenders' compa-
triotism in this Colony expressing
their gratification over the news
of successes in the field, provided,
of course, the demonstrations are
kept within reasonable bounds. It
is but natural that, in such circum-
stances, some ebullition of feeling
should be displayed. The Chinese
community would indeed be poor
patriots did they not find joy in
victory. But after yesterday's
celebrations, the counterpart of
some which have taken place in
other centres, the feeling cannot
be resisted that there is a very
real danger of the populace being
fooled by stories reflecting vic-
tories which only exist in the im-
agination. Indeed, as the real
facts became known, it was shown
that there was no justification
whatever for this amazing display
of popular feeling. In saying so
much, we do not detract in any
way from the magnificent fighting
spirit shown by the Chinese troops,
but the ridiculous tales in circula-
tion yesterday should have been
accepted with a very great deal
more reserve than they were.
Once fanciful tales gain currency,
however, it is almost impossible
to scotch them, especially where there
is some slight basis of fact to
account for the subsequent exag-
gerations. Since the Shanghai
troubles began, all manner of re-
ports, subsequently proved false,
have been made the occasion of
celebrations in various parts of
China. Canton has been duped,
so has Wuchow, and even Shanghai
itself. In the latter connexion,
we need only point to the fact
vouchsafed by a Shanghai contem-
porary that the Northern port has
been flooded with editions of the
Chinese "mosquito press," each of
which seeks to outvie the other in
proclaiming tremendous Chinese
victories and enormous Japanese
losses. In one such broadsheet
recently, it was blazoned forth
that over forty Japanese warships
had been sunk, more than sixty
aeroplanes shot down and no fewer
than 22,000 Japanese troops killed.
To intelligent people, the wholesale

character of the figures would be
sufficient to disprove their truth,
but to the gullible, eager to read
and believe the best of their own
side and the worst possible of the
other, such "news" can only have
a misleading and dangerous effect.
Such stories tend to make Chinese
non-participants lose all sense of
the strength of the opposition,
with the result that if and when
bad news comes, the reaction is
all the worse.

War is a grim business, a fact
which the Chinese cannot afford
to overlook. It is early in the day
yet to represent to the masses that
Japan is defeated and that she
will be unable to continue the
struggle. As a Chinese corres-
pondent writes to us to-day, it will
be better to await the develop-
ments of Japan's plans before
celebrating victory. Admittedly,
the Japanese have been given
much food for thought by the
spirited resistance which they
have encountered; and we can well
believe that Tokyo is feeling
anxious over the unexpected turn
of events. But even the Chinese
Government is preparing for a
long struggle, which seems a rea-
sonable anticipation unless unex-
pected developments occur. In
the circumstances, the wise plan
is to believe only that which is
vouched for in reputable quarters.
To do otherwise may be to result
in much vain regret later on.

Increased Leisure and Books.

Recent experiments with cheap-
er and omnibus books, and with
expedients for increasing the sale
of books, have led to a specific
study of the place which books
have in a democracy. Some of the
figures given in this study by R. L.
Duffus are interesting. Certain of
the conclusions of the writer, how-
ever, do not seem thoroughly well
founded. Mr. Duffus complains
that the public buys less than two
books per capita. The figures are
perhaps misleading because it is
not to be expected that either
young children or illiterates, or the
great mass of people who reside
where books are not readily ob-
tained, are likely to buy them.
Probably for the adult population
living in reasonably well
settled regions this average
of two books a year should
be increased to five or six. That
is, of course, not a great number.
But the people will spend more
every month on motion pictures
than they do in a year on books,
while on motor-car riding some
twenty times as much is disbursed
annually. Eugene Field, in a mo-
ment of satire, intending to con-
trast the lot of the publisher with
that of the author, once gave as a
division of a procession at the
Chicago World's Fair, "Publishers
in carriages followed by authors
on foot." But after all neither
publishers nor authors rank high
in American plutocracy to-day.
It is fair to say that the whole
tendency of the organization of
society for leisure in these days
is against the extension of the
habit of reading books. Automob-
iles, cinema, golf, and wireless
furnish amusement for every con-
ceivable class and do not cost
materially more than would a
generous devotion to literature.

But more than that the tendency
is away from continuing serious
and intellectual effort during lei-
sure hours. Even newspapers are
striving to substitute short and
snappy articles for serious and
comprehensive contributions to
human knowledge. People seldom
read beyond the headlines and the
first paragraph. As to the maga-
zines, the mortality among the
more serious ones in the last de-
cade was distressing. Short-story
papers and monthlies given over
in the main to fiction thrive most.
This situation exists and is being
emphasised in a period when the
masses of men have more leisure
than ever in industrial history.
That it should exist seems to offer
less reason for criticizing the
methods of book publishers or the
intellectual sloth of readers than
it does for adding to the belief that
there should be established some
form of education in the proper
use of leisure. Really serious
students of economic conditions
look upon the shortened working
week, even the four-day week, as
a possibility within the lives of
present-day youth. Should that
condition arrive, it would be
calamitous if the masses have not
learned to develop mentally
through useful reading.

DAY BY DAY

CENSURE IS THE TAX A MAN PAYS
TO THE PUBLIC FOR BEING EMINENT.
Swift.

The Empress of Asia arrived at
Vancouver on Monday evening.

There will be no concert at the
Helen May Institute on Thursday,
March 3, owing to the Flower Show.

Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Pulane
Judge, arrives from England after
long leave to-morrow morning, aboard
the P. and O. s.s. Rajputana.

Included in the 406 bags of first and
second class mail, which arrived at
Hongkong by the President Lincoln,
on Monday night were 123 bags of
mail from London, sent via Siberia.
The London mail was that of January
28 to February 1.

Nineteen cases of small-pox (nine
fatal), three fatal cases of diph-
theria and three cases of enteric
fever (one fatal) were listed in the
return of notifiable diseases occur-
ring in the colony during the past
week. There were also 65 deaths
from pulmonary tuberculosis. Three
cases of small-pox and three of
diphtheria were notified on Monday.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Yesterday's Celebrations.

[To the Editor, Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—It is perhaps too obvious
for me to point out that the firing
of crackers yesterday by the local
Chinese was an inevitable expres-
sion of their jubilation over the
reports of the latest successes of
the Chinese troops in Shanghai.
However, I am of the opinion—
and I am sure it is the opinion of
many as well—that such a rap-
turous action was taken without
mature consideration. Perhaps
the impulse created by the news
of success, in the wake of that of
reversal, was so great that, once
gathered, nothing could stop its
finding an expression of some sort.

It is well known that large num-
bers of troops are on their way to
reinforce the Japanese now facing
the Chinese. It appears that
General Uyeda had expected the
stiff resistance put up by the
Chinese before the commencement
of the "Big Push," and had conse-
quently ordered the 11th Division,
the reinforcements, to stand by,
not in distant Japan but at the
very mouth of the Yangtze. And
who knows that the Japanese Com-
mander has now not another divi-
sion, or divisions, marking time
somewhere ready to be thrown into
the hotbed?

Thus it is quite evident that in
whatever nature the reported suc-
cesses claimed by the Chinese in
this moment may be, the decisive
battle has yet to be fought out.
The Chinese therefore should not
give themselves so soon to wild
transport. They should be calm,
though watchful, and continue to
give their Government support.
The money expended in fire-
crackers yesterday must have been
enormous. It could, and should,
have been spent in a far better
way.—Yours, etc.,
K. S. L.

A Young Man Declares

WE ARE NOT AFRAID TO THINK FOR OURSELVES.

ON November 11, 1918, the
twentieth century was born
after four long years of ghast-
ly travail. I was a child then, and
have only a confused memory of
flags fluttering everywhere; church
bells ringing; happy, cheering
crowds, and a general sense of
swift relief from a grim, intoler-
able strain.

And the young men and women
of my generation can remember
little more. But we have had to
grow up in the world then ushered
in, a world unbelievably strange,
a world almost completely cut off
from the one in which our parents
spent their youth.

A Wide Gulf.

To-day, a much wider gulf
stretches between a young man and
his father than the latter would
find separating him from his great-
grandfather, and so we can
hardly expect to escape scot-free
from criticism and shocked indigna-
tion when our whole outlook and
attitude to life are so different
from those of our elders.

The accusations levelled against
us are many, but not very varied.
They all have a ring of monotonous
sameness about them: we are
cynical, mockingly sceptical, and in-
different to most things of import-
ance. Religion has lost its appeal;
reverence has vanished; convention
is flung to the wind; and we have
snapped the guiding-rein of all re-
cognised morality.

These are hasty generalisations,
with about as much truth in them
as in most generalisations, yet they
have sufficient justification behind
them to make it impossible for us
to ignore their significance or re-
fuse to try to understand the very
real concern which prompted them.
It seems to me that the fault lies
largely with our detractors, for,
with the best intentions in the
world, they never trouble to seek
for an explanation of the younger
generation's conduct, seeming
rather to put it down to some in-
nate and quite inexplicable per-
versity of character. Surely it
must be obvious to everyone how
we are the inevitable products of
the peculiar environment which
surrounded us during the most im-
pressionable years of our life.

Familiarity with marvels dulls
one's sense of wonder, and we are
all too apt to take for granted the
most stupendous achievements of
science. Perhaps it is labelling
the obvious to insist on this, and it
would be tedious to recapitulate the
list of advances made during the
past thirty years; but their
magnitude and influence must be
stressed if the people between
twenty and thirty are ever to have
their views given a sympathetic
hearing.

A Changed World.

Until comparatively recent times
the world was a snug, cosy little
home of which man really could
feel himself the master, for all the

vast forces of the universe seemed
to centre around him. But, with
the development of astronomical
knowledge and the coming of the
new and startling theories of space
and time, the firm ground of cer-
tainty has slipped from beneath
our feet, leaving us floundering in a
morass of doubt and bewilderment.

We have been taught that the
world is like a grain of sand whirl-
ling round a tiny pebble, which, in
its turn, is voyaging on a strange
journey through space, through a
universe whose immensity appals
reason and staggers the imagina-
tion, a fantastic universe which
plays queer tricks with time, where
there is unceasing flux and change,
and where man seems less than
nothing. And so to us the things
which for centuries have been in-
vested with the sanctity of re-
vealed truth are now obsolete,
meaningless beliefs—mere phrases.
Man appears as an insignificant by-
product, with not a jot of scientific
proof to support any of his puff-
ed-up pride in himself as the sole ex-
planation for the existence of the
universe.

Only A Mask.

We have suddenly had thrust be-
fore us incontrovertible proof of
our physical pettiness, and we make
the mistake of thinking the same
proof serves to nullify the efforts
of our mental and spiritual life, so
that there are moments when nothing
seems worth while. The bot-
tom has been knocked out of life;
but, because we are not going to
sit and whimper in a corner, we
put on a mask of cynicism or hide
our real feelings behind a show of
blase indifference. We are angered
by insistence on dogma and the
stressing of the letter rather than
the spirit, but never before has
youth felt so deeply or so sincerely
about the great issues of human
life.

Naturally we are bewildered—
mons of progress have been
crammed into the last few years,
till our minds turn giddy and re-
fuse to grasp after the meaning
of it all; in mere self-defence we
hasten behind our barricades of
mockery or boredom; but any brief
examination of the books we are
writing or the questions we are
asking should be enough to show
how earnest we are in groping after
a solution to the riddle.

I do not want to deny the un-
orthodoxy of our ideas about
morality; but who is to blame if we
express them a little crudely—
sometimes offensively? New-found
freedom is always liable to abuse,
and in the reaction from the
hypocrisy any stifling repression of
the half-century before, the war
we may have swung too far in the
direction of out-spokenness. But,
at least, we are not afraid of the
truth; we believe that values are
not static; they must change as
civilisation changes. Axiomatic,
one would think. Yet to-day, be-
cause we refuse to pay idle
lip-service to threadbare con-
ventions and taboos which have
long since lost what meaning they
ever had, sober age abandons us
in despair, with a woeful prophecy
of damnation of its lips.

And so our voices get a little shrill
as we try to shout down the chorus
of misrepresentation, and our tem-
pers fray and we say more than we
really mean in an endeavour to stir
our critics out of their complacent
self-righteousness.

The Major Sin.

Injustice and cruelty are the
major sins in our eyes, and for us
there is no greater crime than the
restricting of a man's personal
freedom, or the warping of his
nature merely to make him slip-
easily into his place as an unim-
portant cog in the social machine.
We insist that a man's individuality
has an inviolable right to develop
in its own way, provided its un-
checked growth offers no menace to
the happiness of his fellows.

On the whole, I think we are
better than our predecessors.

There are so many of our critics
who are for ever looking backwards
with vain regrets for the passing
of an epoch in which they felt at
home, instead of trying to adjust
themselves to the changed condi-
tions of life; and to them we must
necessarily seem completely alien
in temperament and ways of
thought. But if they will only lay
aside their hostility and realise that
we are timorous and a little shy,
that our noisy self-assertion covers
up a great deal of hesitant uncer-
tainty, and that, after all, we are
so young that we have not yet
acquired sufficient sense of humour
to save us from extravagance, they
may see that we have a certain new
courage, a frankness, an originality,
and independence of approach to
life which more than compensates
(Continued on Page 2.)



"Boy, I'm going to find a job, work hard, and save so I can
go back home in a yellow raddler."

LIMITATION OF
ARMAMENTS.IMPORTANT MEETING
TO-MORROW.

BRITISH HOPES.

London, Feb. 23. The General Committee of the Disarmament Conference will meet to-morrow at Geneva under the chairmanship of Mr. Arthur Henderson. The New French Prime Minister, M. Tardieu, has informed the British Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, of his intention of being present. It is understood that Signor Grandi and the heads of several other delegations will also attend.

Sir John Simon, who, in the absence of the Prime Minister, is acting as head of the British delegation to the Conference, left London this afternoon for Geneva, and will be present. He will remain in Switzerland until after the special meeting, on March 3rd, of the League Assembly which has been called to consider the Sino-Japanese situation. It is anticipated that the highly important debates on political issues that will come before the Disarmament Conference will take place in this General Committee, including, for example, the security questions raised by the French Memorandum. The work of the whole Conference will be co-ordinated by the fact that the President is the Chairman of this General Committee.

Budgetary Limitation. The other committee that will probably be set up by the Disarmament Conference will provide work for specialists on land, sea and air armaments, and another committee will consider the question of reduction of armaments by means of budgetary limitation.

The view of the British Government in regard to budgetary limitation is that it should afford a valuable cross-check on other methods of limitation, although it is recognized that many complicated factors would have to be adjusted for its proper working. Consistent armies, for example, are less expensive to maintain than professional armies, and considerations of this kind must obviously be taken into account.

On the other hand, budgetary limitation affords a useful means of restricting certain kinds of armaments, such, for instance, as the so-called pocket battleship, which although it might conform to tonnage and other material limitations, is expensive to build. The British Government is approaching the work of the disarmament conference with a determination to achieve the largest possible measure of success, and would regard it as a great misfortune if it failed to achieve concrete results.—*British Wireless.*

MINERS' HOURS
CONVENTION.BRITAIN FAVOURS
RATIFICATION.

London, Feb. 23. Answering a Parliamentary question to-day, the Secretary for Mines, Mr. Isaac Foot, stated that the Government were favourably disposed towards the International Convention for miners' hours.

Detailed application of some of its provisions to British coal mines presented certain problems which were under consideration. As soon as these points had been disposed of the Government would be prepared to ratify the Convention, provided about six countries would do so at the same time.

Answering a further question, he said the Government held that the question of simultaneous ratification should be dealt with before the subsidiary difficulties were brought under consideration.—*British Wireless.*

MISLEADING TEA
LABELS.POSSIBILITY OF
PROSECUTION.

London, Feb. 23. Misleading tea labels, implying that the contents are of Empire origin, whereas they are partly foreign-grown, were the subject of a question raised in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Wiltter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, replying, said that he was unable to recommend an order under the Merchandise Marks Act in the case of blended teas owing to technical difficulties.

He pointed out, however, that the use of misleading labels was an offence and the interested parties could prosecute if they thought fit.—*Reuter.*



Picture shows some of the Japanese Marines, who volunteered for an attack on the Wosung village, awaiting the signal to move off by motor trucks. Travelling along the darkened roads to their objective, accompanied by armoured cars, the marines, it will be recalled, launched a determined attack on the Wosung village while Japanese destroyers poured a heavy bombardment into the fortifications. The objective remains untaken to-day.

AMERICAN MUNITIONS
SALES TO JAPANDISCUSSION OF ISSUES
DISCOURAGED.

Washington, Feb. 23.

Every effort is being made by the Government to discourage public enquiry into the supply of arms and ammunition to combatants in the Far East, though today accusations were made in the House of Representatives.

According to the correspondent of the *Baltimore Sun*, informal discussions have been proceeding between the State Department and the British and French Governments, as a result of which, the correspondent states, it has been agreed to discourage all Parliamentary discussion of sale of munitions to Japan and to China.

FIGURES REFUSED.

He further declares that the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives has agreed not to hold a public hearing of a resolution authorizing the President to place an embargo upon the shipment of munitions to the belligerents, and adds that the State Department has refused figures of U.S. shipments of munitions to Japan.

The State Department's attitude is causing much speculation in view of the fact that it was previously reported that Mr. H. L. Stimson was in favour of bringing economic pressure upon Japan in order to bring peace to the Far East.

THE VICTORY
CELEBRATION.Shoemaker Before
Court.A LENIENT VIEW
TAKEN.

The Chinese celebration of the Japanese reverse was not entirely free from rowdiness, though the vast majority of the demonstrators were good-natured in their enthusiasm.

At Vanchai's stores were thrown at Japanese shops, but the measures taken by the Police were more than sufficient to check any tendency to disorderliness.

Placard posters were active, and one such, detected in the act of putting up a red paper bearing the title "Long Live China" near the Queen's Theatre, was arrested by a plain-clothes officer and taken to the Central Police Station.

Emergency Regulations. He appeared before Mr. Wynne Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with putting up a poster or notice without having complied with the legal requirement that such papers must first be submitted to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs for censorship and approval.

Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds, conducting the case for the Police, stated that they had refrained from charging the man under the Emergency Regulations as they were fully entitled to do.

At the same time, they had to take the circumstances into consideration. Big disorders such as occurred recently were pre-

cipitated by small beginnings. No offence.

His Worship said he did not think that anybody could fairly say that "Long Live China" could give offence. He would be foolish to say so.

Mr. Reynolds said that they had to take the incident together with the mind of the crowd yesterday. The placard was exhibited in a locality close to Japanese shops.

His Worship agreed, but pointed out that the temper of the crowd did not appear to him to be anything but justification. Was Mr. Reynolds asking for a heavy penalty?

Fine of \$2.

Mr. Reynolds replied "No." The defendant was a shoemaker. In fining the defendant \$2, his Worship advised him to stick to his last.

His Worship: I merely want to let you know that these notices must not be put up without permission.

Man with Rattle. The substance of another case brought by the Chief Detective Inspector had to do with a large tin rattle on both sides of which appeared a red placard with the characters "Let Us Celebrate our Army's Victory."

It was being borne aloft, followed by a large crowd through the town during the barrage of cracker-firing yesterday, when seized by a policeman. The leader of the procession was arrested. He protested he was not guilty of anything but a patriotic desire to join in the general celebrations.

Mr. Reynolds informed his Worship that when questioned yesterday after his arrest, the accused stated that he was an unemployed seaman.

The question was again put to the accused, and he informed the Court that he was merely a hawk-

er on a Wuchow river boat. The purpose of the rattle was to attract customers to his wares. He added:—"I had assumed that liberty of speech was permitted in this Colony, and I therefore thought there would be no harm in expressing our sentiments."

Change of Clothing.

Mr. Reynolds stated that yesterday the defendant was attired in European clothing. To-day he had changed into his own native attire. Mr. Reynolds added that he would want to make further enquiries and suggested an increase of bail to \$100.

In remanding the defendant for forty-eight hours, his Worship said it was to enable the police to make further enquiries. He himself was not satisfied with the explanation, and would want to know more about accused.

Other Prosecutions.

From Wanchai district, eighteen cases were brought before Mr. Schofield this morning, while four delinquents were from Shaikwan.

When a youth aged 16 was brought before his Worship it was revealed by Inspector J. McLellan that he threw a fairly large packet of crackers which fell on a woman who was carrying a small child.

The Russian constable who effected the arrest, said he had been unable to ascertain whether the woman or the child were hurt. Inspector McLellan stated that the district was in a pandemonium and it was impossible to see anything.

"I have been instructed by the Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation that the police are not pressing these cases," added Inspector McLellan.

But when the crackers actually hit people there should be a more severe penalty," replied his Worship. "The fine on this occasion will be \$50."

Money Wasted.

Several offenders who had been unable to procure bail and had spent a night in gaol were each fined \$5 on his Worship being told that there had been nothing out of the ordinary in their cases. His Worship remarked that he supposed the defendants had wasted all their money on buying crackers and thus were unable to find bail.

It was revealed in some cases that the bail allowed had been \$20 or \$25 whilst in others as much as \$100 was demanded by the officer in charge.

His Worship asked for an explanation and Inspector McLellan replied that the people who were first arrested were let out on small bail but when the firing assumed more serious dimensions he consulted the Chief Inspector and was instructed to demand \$100 bail. Nobody was released for less afterwards.

Sergeant Flaherty prosecuted two men who were alleged to have used a motor car to carry out their celebrations. The officer said the defendants were seen travelling in Queen's Road East in motor cars and were throwing crackers into the air without any regard to traffic. There was quite a lot of traffic at the time.

Inspector McLellan commented that this was a very dangerous practice.

His Worship:—Yes even more dangerous than throwing them from a verandah. \$50 each.

Other Cases.

Three men charged by Sergeant Crossman were alleged to have thrown crackers at passing motor cars returning from the races. Each of the three men was fined \$25, or three weeks' hard labour.

Four men from the Shaikwan District were each fined \$20. Inspector G. A. Stimson informed his Worship that whilst he was driving his car along a main road a packet of crackers was thrown into his car and went off almost in his face.

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Princetown University Band. 20355.
Humorous Song-He's a Good Man to Have Around.
Humorous Song-I'm the Last of the Red Hot Mamas.

Sophie Tucker. 21904.
Organ Solo-The Prisoner's Song.
Organ Solo-After I Say I'm Sorry.
Jesse Crawford. 19980.
Humorous Monologue-The Trick Boys.
Marshall Cole. 22305.
Instrumental-Kaala-Medley.
Instrumental-Waonahle-Medley.
Royal Hawaiian Trio. 20281.
Song-The Rogue Song.
Song-The Narrative.

Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone). 1440.
Instrumental-Herd Girl's Dream.
Instrumental-Happy Days.
Neapolitan Trio. 19872.

8.00 p.m. (Local Time and Weather Report).

7.52-8.33 p.m. Operatic.
Cavalleria Rusticana-Selection (Mascagni).
Crescena's Band. 36815.
Aida-There, Where the Virgin Forests Rise (Verdi).
Aida-Again I See Thee (Verdi).
Ellenbeth Rethberg and Ginocone Lauri-Volpi. 8100.

Pagliacci-Fantasy (Leoncavallo) (arr. Tavan).
Marek Weber and His Orch. V-50017.
Samson et Dalila-La Your God Not on High? (Saint-Saens).
Samson et Dalila-Pause, My Brothers (Saint-Saens).
Giovanni Martinelli (Tenor). 8109.

8.33-9.03 p.m. A Concert.
Song-Trees (Kilmer-Rasbach).
Song-By the Waters of Minnetonka (Lievraux).
Ernestine Schumann-Heink (Contralto). 1108.

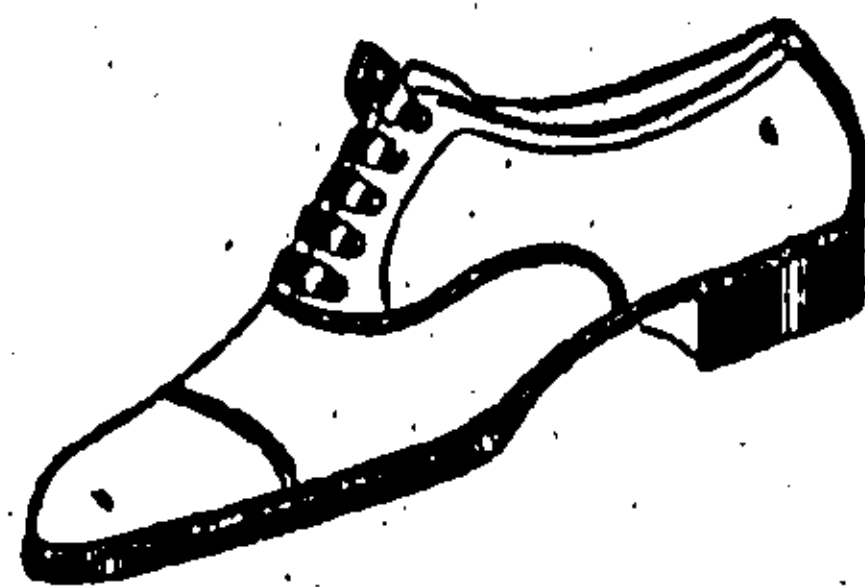
Piano Solo-Dance of the Gnomes (Liszt).
Piano Solo-Étude Tableaux (Rachmaninoff).
Sergei Rachmaninoff. 1184.

Song-Mother, My Dear (Nelson-Tremane).
Song-A Brown Bird Sings (Barrie-Haydn Wood).
John McCormack (Tenor). 1137.
Violin Solo-Souvenir Poétique (Fibich).
Violin Solo-For a Wild Rose (MacDowell).
Michel Guskoff. 19802.

9.03-11.00 p.m. Dance Programme.
Fox Trot-I'm for You a Hundred
Fox Trot-That's What I Like About You. 22838.
Fox Trot-Keep a Song in Your Soul.
Fox Trot-The River and Me. 22614.
Fox Trot-Fred's the Freshman.
Fox Trot-Now's the Time to Fall in Love. 22865.
Fox Trot-Home.
Fox Trot-I Promise You. 22838.
Fox Trot-I Should Have Known Better.
Fox Trot-You Try Somebody Else. 22864.
Waltz-On a Little Street in Honolulu.
Waltz-All Through the Night.
Fox Trot-River Slay "Way From my Door.
Fox Trot-Was it Wrong. 22831.
Fox Trot-Were You Sincere?
Fox Trot-I've Found What I Wanted in Your Lips. 22053.
Fox Trot-And Then Your Lips Met Mine.
Fox Trot-You're Simply Delish. 22582.
Fox Trot-I Love Love.
Fox Trot-I'll Never Leave You. 22607.
Waltz-Call me Darling.
Waltz-When the World Was New. 22840.
Fox Trot-I'm Learning a Lot From You.
Fox Trot-A Big Bouquet for You. 22510.
Fox Trot-When the Shepherd Leads the Sheep Back Home.
Fox Trot-Under Your Window To-night. 22705.
Fox Trot-How the Time Can Fly.
Fox Trot-June Time is Love Time. 22740.
Fox Trot-When I Can't be With You.
Fox Trot-Come Easy, Go Easy.
Fox Trot-Dancing in the Dark.
Fox Trot-High and Low. 22708.
Waltz-I'm Drifting Back to Dreamland.
Waltz-Let's Forgive and Forget. 21008.
11.00 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.

11.03 p.m. Close Down.
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The next general meeting of the Hongkong University Medical Society will be held to-day, February 24, at 8.15 p.m. in the lecture hall of the University Biology Building. Dr. G. A. C. Herklotz, Ph.D., F. L. S., etc., will read a paper on the snakes of Hongkong, harmless, poisonous, and venomous, illustrated with live and dead specimens, also by diagrams. Members who wish to attend will be cordially welcome.

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RACES MARRED BY WEATHER.

KING'S BOUNTY WINS LADIES' PURSE.

TURF MISHAP.

Ladies' Day at the Races has been spoiled by the damp weather, in striking contrast to the first three days of the Meeting. Mist and rain began to make things uncomfortable just after the first race, and conditions have not improved.

In spite of this, however, a goodly crowd was present before the start. Seven ponies faced the start in the race for the Ladies' Purse, King's Bounty, ridden by Mr. Y. S. Chang, getting the verdict by three-quarters of a length from Cyclamen Bay, with Boxing Eve third.

At the 11th interval, the Purse was presented to the winning jockey by Miss Kelly, daughter of Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, who was subsequently escorted to the stand by Mr. Chang.

Mr. Quincey, riding Westland Stag in the Adelaide Stakes, was thrown near the stands on the first time round, the pony continuing round the course riderless and coming in ahead of the field. The jockey was not badly hurt.

The Leighton Hill Stakes.—Winner \$500. Second \$200. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of a race of one mile or under barred. (Jockey Allowance). Six Furlongs.

Mrs. Pearce's Weybridge (Mr. Chang) 1
Messrs. Mackie & Grayburn's Don (Mr. Clark) 2
Mr. Eve's Snappy Eve (Mr. Heard) 3

Fifteen starters.
Won by two lengths; a length.
Time:—1 min. 30 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, \$10.70.
Places, \$6.70; \$12.10; \$18.70.

2.—The Grand Stand Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies bona fide Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one race 5 lb. of two or more races 7 lb. penalty. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of this Meeting: winners; no penalty; non-winners: allowed 10 lb. (Jockey Allowance). Allowances accumulative. Six Furlongs.

Mr. S. A. Lopez' Little Gem (Mr. Clark) 1
Mr. Rain's The Rainstorm (Mr. Dallas) 2
Mr. A. M. L. Soares' Ghost Train (Mr. Noodt) 3

Twenty starters.
Won by 3.4 length; length.
Time:—1 min. 33.5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Win, \$33.70.
Places, \$12; \$8.60; \$22.40.

3.—The Ladies' Purse.—Presented with \$300 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this Meeting other than Subscription Grifflins of this Club 7 lb. penalty. (Jockey Allowance). Once Round, (about 7 Furlongs 49 Yards).

Mr. Dynasty's King's Bounty (Mr. C. Ang) 1
Mr. L. Dunbar's Cyclamen Bay (Mr. McCann) 2
Mr. Eve's Boxing Eve (Mr. Charles) 3

Seven starters.
Won by 3/4 length; three lengths.
Time:—
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, \$9.20.
Places, \$5.10; \$5.10; \$5.10.

4.—The Adelaide Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies of any Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this Meeting barred. Winner of the Two Mile Post Race Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Mr. L. T. F. Kilrea (Mr. Tung) 1
Mr. A. M. L. Soares' Manna (Mr. Noodt) 2
Mr. Dyer's Taiping (Mr. Heard) 3

Eleven starters.
Won by length and half; two and half lengths.
Time:—2 minutes 09.1/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, \$8.60.
Places, \$5.50; \$7.70; \$8.20.

5.—The Jockey Cup.—Winner \$500. Second \$200. Third \$100. A Cup will be presented to the winning jockey, for China Ponies that have started in and have not won a race at this Meeting and that have not at any time won three races, to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners 5 lb. penalty. Jockeys 2 lb. penalty for each race won; Maximum penalty 10 lb.; No Whips or Spurs allowed. Penalties accumulative. One Mile.

Mr. Dynasty's King's Justice (Mr. Butler) 1
Mr. W. T. Stanton's Tom (Mr. Corbett) 2
Mrs. Dunbar's Tiana (Mr. Fung) 3

Fourteen starters.
Won by three lengths; two lengths.
Time:—2 minutes 03.2/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, \$13.10.
Places, \$6.50; \$7.80; \$8.30.

6.—The Blue Mountains Plate.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$500. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies. Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one race, 7 lb. of two or more races 10 lb. penalty. One and a quarter Miles.

Mr. Wong Ping-shun's Sunlight

CASH SWEEPS.

LUCKY NUMBERS AT THE RACES.

1st Race.
No. 603 \$ 978.00
" 568 279.00
" 203 139.80
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)
Nos. 243, 483, 324, 240, 464, 68, 377, 192, 339, 188, 458, 629, 41, 182, 279, 73, 6.

2nd Race.
No. 278 \$1,279.60
" 360 365.60
" 546 182.80
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)
Nos. 16, 104, 423, 42, 606, 337, 193, 600, 194, 694, 357, 83.

3rd Race.
No. 574 \$1,682.80
" 252 480.80
" 161 240.40
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)
Nos. 73, 105, 643, 661.

4th Race.
No. 315 \$1,657.60
" 422 473.60
" 389 236.80
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)
Nos. 639, 674, 517, 582, 620, 627, 140, 468.

5th Race.
No. 617 \$1,723.40
" 590 492.40
" 688 246.20
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)
Nos. 418, 602, 174, 410, 357, 185, 624, 244, 654, 493, 82.

6th Race.
No. 548 \$2,620.80
" 745 738.80
" 476 374.40
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)
Nos. 448, 72, 496, 384, 308.

7th Race.
No. 688 \$3,018.40
" 627 862.40
" 1045 431.20
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)
Nos. 883, 952, 191, 1082, 126, 358, 949, 32.

(Mr. Frost) 1
Mr. L. A. H. Wright's Lucy Glitters (Mr. Clark) 2
Mr. Monastic's Friar Tack (Mr. Rothe) 3

Nine starters.
Won by length and half; length and half.
Time:—2 minutes 28 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, \$6.90.
Places, \$6.10; \$9.80; \$7.90.

8.—The Lusitane Cup.—Presented by the Members of the Club Lusitane, with \$600 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies bona fide Grifflins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 5 lb. Winners 7 lb. penalty. One Mile.

Messrs. Mackie & Grayburn's Dec (Mr. Clark) 1
Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Princess Hall (Mr. Dallas) 2
Messrs. Kong Bros' Blue Star (Mr. Li) 3

Eleven starters.
Won by a neck; a head.
Time:—2 minutes 02.4/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, \$23.70.
Places, \$6; \$5.40; \$5.80.

CASINOS FOR BRITISH COAST RESORTS?

SUGGESTION AT SEE-BRITAIN-FIRST CONFERENCE.

Large casinos, not necessarily where gambling took place, but where cinema, plays, bands, competitions, sun bathing, etc., could give visitors a wide choice of entertainment.

This suggestion for making home resorts attractive was made by Mr. Graham Moffatt at a weekend See-Britain-First Conference at the Palace Hotel, Pailinton, Devon.

A letter from Mr. Cyril Maude, the actor-manager, contained a similar suggestion.

The conference, it is hoped, will have a far-reaching effect on health resorts all over the country by supporting the campaign to induce the British to winter in Britain.

There are about 150 delegates from various home resorts, together with eminent doctors, medical officers of health, theatrical producers, railway and travel officials, restaurant and hotel proprietors and others.

Mr. P. R. Chappell said that they had to make the country health-resort-minded, make the resorts more attractive and get Dora restrictions removed.

BRITISH COAL. FRENCH SURTAX TO BE LIFTED.

London, Feb. 23. The president of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman, informed the House of Commons today that a decree was issued in Paris this morning whereby the 15 per cent. surtax on British coal will be withdrawn as from Thursday.—British Wireless.

RIGHT WING ACTIVITY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Kiangwan. Troops are moving up rapidly in this direction in accordance with General Uyeda's need for consolidating his right flank, which was exposed to Chinese attack last night.

The Chinese are also moving troops in this direction and both are seeking to outflank the other.

MACHINE HELD.

The general view of the situation to-day is that the Japanese military machine, despite all its modern implements of war, will find it difficult impossible to push back the stubbornly resisting Chinese troops until considerable reinforcements have arrived from Japan.

The splendid morale of the Chinese soldiers, despite hideous punishment, is one of the most remarkable features of this strange "war without a declaration."

HOSPITAL SCENE.

A Renter's representative also paid a visit to-day to a new military hospital, and under the escort of youthful Chinese nurses, some not more than sixteen years of age, asked a roomful of wounded "boy" soldiers, all members of Chiang Kai-shek's National Guard, the division which has borne the brunt of the Japanese attack and which has earned so much congratulatory comment, if they wanted to fight.

Back came shouts from every bed: "When they let us go, we shall go straight back in the line. We are fighting for our freedom."

NO PRISONERS.

It is a notable feature of the war that neither side is claiming to have taken any prisoners, which is indicative of the sanguinary nature of the struggle.

Snow is at present falling, adding to the difficulties of the side which adopts the offensive.

The position at Woosung shows no change. The Japanese have continued their bombardments and have several times attempted to take the Chinese positions by storm, but the Chinese are still holding the Forts and the north bank of the Woosung Creek.

HUMAN BOMBS.

In his Orders of the Day, General Uyeda praises the self-sacrifice of three Japanese privates who acting as human bombs, binding high explosives to their bodies, flung themselves at the Chinese barbed wire defences, clearing a gap for their comrades to follow.—Reuter.

Chan Ming-Shu's Job.

Nanking, Feb. 24. An order has been issued for the removal of the Ministry of War and all its sub-departments from Nanking to Loyang, leaving the administration of military affairs in Nanking and Shanghai in the hands of General Chan Ming-shu.—Reuter.

Soochow Bombing.

Soochow, Feb. 24. The aerial invasion of Soochow was fruitless from the Japanese viewpoint. They were seeking out the military billets, but dropped their bombs far astray. A number of private houses were considerably damaged, but as far as is known the only casualty of the raid was an American airman.—Reuter.

H. E. the Governor is to open the new Po Leung Tuk at Leighton Hill Road at 4 p.m. on March 4th.



Top picture shows Japanese marines lining a Hongkong street, and lower showing one of the Nanking Government's machine gun corps, demonstrates the exceedingly useful mobility of these specialist troops.

BURMA FUTURE IN BALANCE.

GOVERNMENT WAITS DECISION.

London, Feb. 23. Asked in the House of Commons to-day whether the House would have an opportunity in the present session to discuss the report of the Burma Round Table Conference and the Government's declaration of policy on constitutional advance in Burma, Mr. Baldwin said the question was of great importance both to Burma and the Empire as a whole.

He agreed that it ought to come before Parliament, but it would be preferable to defer the Commons debate until the people of Burma had recorded their decision on the question of separation from India, because on that depended the policy of the Government.—British Wireless.

POSTAL INQUIRY ORDERED.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY P.M.G.

London, Feb. 23. The Postmaster General has appointed a committee consisting of Lord Bridgeman (Chairman), Lord Plender and Sir John Cadman to inquire and report as to whether any changes in the constitution, status or system of organisation of the Post Office would be in the public interest.—British Wireless.

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London, Feb. 23. The Queen, the Duke and Duchess of York and other members of the Royal Family to-day paid a long visit to the Olympia branch of the British Industries Fair.—British Wireless.

SHIELD SOCCER.

JUNIOR MATCHES FOR SATURDAY.

The following are the fixtures for the Junior Shield matches to be played on Saturday:

R.A.F. v Navy.—Recreio ground; referee, Mr. Lawrence.
12th Bat. v R.A.O.C.—Sookun-poo ground; referee, Mr. Ford.
Kowloon v S.W.B.—Kowloon ground; referee, Mr. Pooley.
Kick-off at 2.45 p.m. sharp. Extra time will be played if necessary.

The Senior Division Shield matches are postponed, and League matches will be played.

LOCAL CRICKET.

TEAMS FOR MATCH ON H.K. C.C. GROUND.

The following teams will play on the H. K. C. C. ground at 2 p.m. sharp on Saturday:
Machine Gun Company.—E. J. B. Mitchell (Capt.), H. Owen Hughes, A. C. Beck, O. E. C. Marton, S. V. Gittins, W. D. Polley, R. M. Wood, L. D. Kilbee, B. L. Stock, J. R. Ratten, A. H. Harbord.
Rest of the Club.—A. Rold (Capt.), E. R. Duckitt, R. H. Davies, J. B. Davis, C. E. Gahagan, R. P. Edwards, H. J. Armstrong, F. A. M. Elliott, R. S. W. Patterson, H. S. P. Ewin, D. S. Robb.

ARREST OF TRADE UNIONIST.

BRITAIN UNABLE TO INTERVENE.

London, Feb. 23. Questioned by members of the Labour Party, in the House of Commons to-day, in regard to the arrest by Chinese authorities of Mr. Ruegg, one of the organisers of the Pan-Pacific Trade Union, Captain Anthony Eden said that the British Government had no authority to intervene as Ruegg is not a British subject.—Reuter.



This photograph vividly shows the desolation in the heart of Chapel. The photographer vent right up into the front lines held by the Chinese in order to get the picture. Somewhere across this No Man's Land Japanese forces were known to be well on the alert.

'QUAKE SCARE IN ENGLAND.**HOUSES ROCKED BY A SERIES OF TREMORS.**

London, Jan. 24.

Houses were rocked and considerable alarm was created by a series of violent earth tremors felt over a wide area around Manchester yesterday.

Shocks lasting for several seconds roused people from their beds, and in some cases property was slightly damaged.

At least five distinct tremors were felt at Swinton and Monton, and one Monton resident stated that his house was shaken to such an extent that plates were thrown from a shelf and smashed.

Other places at which shocks were experienced included:—Urmston, Clifton, Worsley, Lower Broughton and Eccles.

Mr. A. Banks, of Clively-road, told a reporter, "There was a loud rumble and the house seemed to rock as though it was in the grip of a giant. Ten minutes later there was another rumble, followed by a second shock lasting several seconds."

Mr. W. Firth, of Polson-street, Lower Broughton, said that when the tremors started the window panes rattled and he thought there was a gas springing up. Later he noticed a bed vibrating, and a door rattled loudly as though someone were trying to enter.

Fit Subsidence?

Many reports from places in the area state that the shocks were so severe that furniture rocked violently.

Yet at Stonyhurst College, Ouseburn, a few miles away, there was no record, and Mr. J. J. Shaw, the West Bromwich seismologist, stated that his instruments had also been unaffected.

Father Rowlands, of Stonyhurst College, attributed the tremors to a coalmine surface subsidence.

In Manchester last year a tremor which shook East Lancashire so severely that people were thrown out of bed.

PLACATING THE EVIL SPIRIT.**BURNT OFFERINGS IN FORTUNE TELLING CHARGE.**

Ammanford, Jan. 28.

How a burnt offering was made to placate an evil spirit which was said to stand between a Carmarthenshire farmer and fortune from a rich uncle abroad was explained to the magistrate at Llan-sawel, Carmarthenshire, yesterday.

Lily Jones, aged 50, and her daughter, Violet Jones, 22, both of the New Bungalow, Mountain Hare, Merthyr Tydfil, were charged with "pretending to tell fortunes so as to mislead his Majesty's subjects."

The mother was fined 30s.; the daughter, who had pleaded not guilty, was discharged.

The farmer, Morris Jones, of Penygraig, said the women drove up in a saloon motor-car.

The older woman, he said, told him that he had a relative abroad who was going to leave him a large sum of money.

He was invited to gaze into a crystal. The woman wrapped the crystal in a black cloth, on which she sprinkled salt, and after an incantation he saw the words, "Overcome evil by good." Looking again he saw the figure 2500.

The woman said an evil spirit stood in the way and a burnt offering would have to be made.

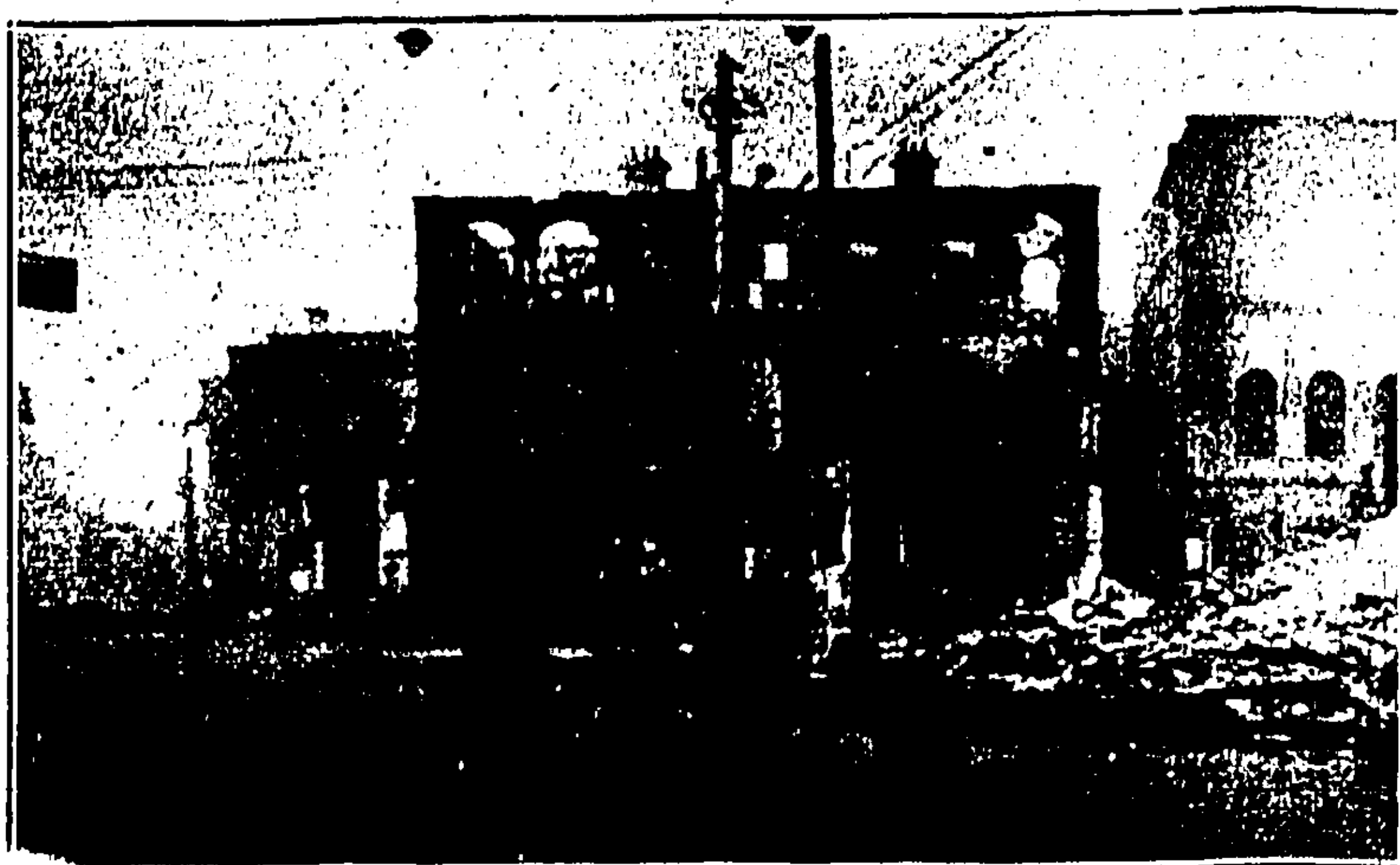
At her bidding, said the farmer, he produced a £1 note and a half-sovereign, which were wrapped with great ceremonial and deposited on a plate, over which were drawn two strips of paper in the form of a cross. The offering was then placed in the kitchen fire.

A charm was produced and the farmer was bidden to wrap it in money, not less than £, and conceal it in his bed.

On a subsequent visit by the women, while rites of a further offering of £2 were being performed, two policemen emerged.

The burnt offering was snatched from the fire and was found to contain only an empty cigarette packet, while the charm was a piece of tin foil.

The £1 notes were found on the floor at the feet of the two women.



The gaunt ruins of a once-imposing building in the Chapel district.

WE ARE NOT AFRAID TO THINK FOR OURSELVES.

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for the loss of the comfortable habit of tacit acquiescence in current conventions which distinguished their own youth.

IN DEFENCE OF BYSTANDERS.

By A. P. GARLAND.

As a bystander, with some pride in my work, I resent the slur that was cast the other day on bystanders by a writer who complained that no effort was made to stop a street affray.

Why should a bystander interfere? His motto is the same as that of the faithful old clown in all stories about circuses: "The show must go on."

Take the case of the bull that ran amok in a Bedfordshire town and, as the story went, "scattered the bystanders."

That is nonsense. The bull did not scatter the bystanders. They scattered themselves.

They saw that the bull, for reasons best known to himself, wanted a clear field in which to carry out certain manoeuvres. So they gave him one. And if they did it in a hurry it was because the bull was also in a hurry.

A little touch like that shows breeding.

Again, when a man's bowler blows off his head and tries to commit suicide under a taxicab, the genuine bystander will never make a frantic dive to save it from destruction. He watches the drama with deep interest, but he keeps on his own side of the footlights.

The Detached Attitude. It is this detached, non-committal attitude of the bystander that makes him so entrancing a feature of the social landscape.

One day, for instance, last summer, a Bolshoi orator, whose features were much decked out with reddish vegetation, was lecturing in Hyde Park on the Five-Years Plan. At the end of his impassioned address he asked if anybody had any question to ask. Thereupon a middle-aged bystander held up his hand like a schoolboy and said, "Did you ever do anything for that nose of yours?"

Few people realize to what extent bystanders act as a stimulus to industry and high endeavour.

Take the case of such road-repairs as forgo that hideous automatic drill with its machine-gun accompaniment and rely on the old-fashioned sledge-hammer and wedge.

When bystanders are around, watch the graceful stance and poise of the hammerman, the careless accuracy of his swings and the certainty of his aim. He is trying to please his public, and good work results.

But if there are no bystanders he adopts a listless air, his timing is far from good and only too often the hammer lands on the knuckles of the man holding the wedge, making the latter regret bitterly that he had not started life in the cooked meat industry.

Similarly, a bill-poster, under observation by bystanders, rises to heights of great artistry. His colour scheme becomes more daring, he tries for a little chiaroscuro and his brushwork is bolder and firmer. Sometimes, in fact he becomes so lost in his work that he falls off the ladder. That is an unforgettable moment.

At the Shop Window. Likewise a window dresser in a departmental store finds much inspiration in the presence of bystanders. Gribble's stock of Gent's Winter Pyjamas never were displayed so dramatically as one day when eight fat faces, the property of some keen bystanders, were pressed against the window. And Mr. Spoffe, of Jims and Carboys, who is temperamental, simply refuses to make a start with the craps de Chine until his crop of bystanders have rallied round—which they always do.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.**OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.**

No change, and only two sales officially reported.

Sales:—Hotels (old) \$13.

Govt. Loans, 4% Prem.

Buyers:—Union Insurance, \$405.

Hotels (old), \$13.

Chinese Bankers, \$95.

Singapore Tractors (Pref) 14.

Amusements, \$194.

Govt. Loans, 3% Prem.

Sellers:—Hongkong Bank, \$1350.

Docks, \$29.

China Lights (old), \$21.

Exchange Rates.

Previous Day. Yesterday.

Paris, 88.88 88.88

Gosport, 17.75 17.13/10

Berlin, 14.57 14.57/2

Oso, 18.5 18.5

Helsingfors, 270 270

Buenos Aires, 39.39 39.11/16

Shanghai, 1/11.9/16 1/11.9/16

New York, 3.46 3.47 3/4

Amsterdam, 8.66 8.66

Vienna, 32 32

Madrid, 31.3 31.3

Bucharest, 57.7 57.7

Hongkong, 1/5.13/16 1/5.13/16

Brussels, 24.3 24.15/16

Milan, 66.3 66.3

Stockholm, 18.1 18.1/16

Prague, 116.3 116.3

Lisbon, 109.3 109.3

Rio, 43.16 43.16

Bombay, 1/6.5/32 1/6.5/32

Yokohama, 1/11.5 1/11.5/16

Montevideo, 31.3 31.3

Montréal, 3.93 3.93

Silver (spot), 19.13/16 19.13/16

(forward) 20 20 3/4

— British Wireless.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1350 s.

Chartered Bank, \$12 s.

Mercantile A. and B., \$18 s.

East Asia, \$12 1/2 s.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$1,350 n.

Union Ins., \$405 b.

China Underwriters, \$4.62 1/2 n.

China Fire, \$590 n.

H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,250 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$26 n.

H. K. Steamboats, \$23 n.

Indo-China, (Pref.) \$32 n.

Union Waterboats, \$25 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$11.75 n.

Kailans, 25/- n.

S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.

Raub, \$39 n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$164 1/2 n.

Whampoa Docks, \$29 s.

South China Motors \$10 n.

Providents (old), \$4.90 ss.

Hongkew, Tls. 220 n.

New Engineers, Tls. 6 1/2 n.

Shanghai Docks, Tls. 90 1/2 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14 1/2 n.

Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 80 1/2 n.

Zoon Sing, Tls. 11 1/2 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H.K. Hotel (old) \$13 b.

H.K. S. Hotels (new) \$13 n.

H. K. Lands, \$76 n.

S'hai Lands, Tls. 30 n.

Humphreys' (old) \$19 1/2 n.

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Industrials.

Malibon, \$38 n.

Canton Ice, \$5 n.

Cementa (com.) \$16.85 n.

Ropes, \$16.40 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$29 1/2 n.

Watsons, \$15.50 n.

Der A. Wings, \$1 n.

Lane Crawfords, \$6 n.

Mackintosh, \$19 b.

Sinceres, \$16 n.

Powells, \$3.60 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$19 1/4 b.

Entertainments (old) \$16 1/4 n.

Constructions (old) \$5.15 n.

S. C. Enterprises \$10 n.

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TAN ENG HOON, Manager.

Hongkong, March 11th, 1931.

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LOCAL CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS-K.C.C. MATCH LEFT DRAWN.

The match between the Volunteers and the Kowloon Cricket Club, which was continued yesterday, ended in a draw.

The K.C.C. resumed their first innings yesterday, and were all dismissed for twenty runs short of their opponents' score. E. F. Fincher was undefeated with 62 runs.

The Volunteers declared their second innings closed after five wickets had fallen for 145 runs. Beck was the top-scorer with 48, and Owen Hughes got 31.

The K.C.C. had scored 128 for the loss of four wickets when stumps were drawn. Mackay scored 44 before he was run out, and E. F. Fincher was again undefeated with 37 to his credit.

Scores:

Volunteers.—1st. Innings.—153.	
K.C.C. 1st. Innings.	
E. G. Fincher, c. Wolff, b. Owen Hughes	9
P. E. Lawrence, b. Owen Hughes	10
E. F. Fincher, not out	62
N. A. E. Mackay, b. Beck	44
F. E. Skinner, c. Griffiths, b. Owen Hughes	2
G. Lee, b. McLellan	2
G. Goodwin, c. Polley, b. Wolff	20
G. C. Burnett, b. Owen Hughes	10
H. Hampton, lbw. Beck	10
R. G. U. Mead, b. Beck	2
J. C. Lyl, lbw. Beck	2
Extras	6
Total	133

Bowling Analysis.	
	O. M. R. W.
A. C. Beck	12.3 4 4
H. Owen Hughes	14 2 4 4
D. Baker	4 1 4 1
D. McLellan	7 1 10 1
Wolff	3 1 10 1

Volunteers.—2nd. Innings.	
H. Owen Hughes, b. Burnett	31
F. E. Skinner, c. E. C. Fincher, b. Wolff	12
W. H. Polley, b. Goodwin	19
A. C. Beck, b. Burnett	38
R. H. Griffiths, not out	18
D. McLellan, b. Burnett	13
F. Becker, not out	4
Extras	4
Total (for 5 wks. dec.)	145

Wolff, Kilboe, Davies and Richardson did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.	
	O. M. R. W.
Burnett	9 1 45 3
Goodwin	9 1 44 1
Skinner	7 1 31 1
Lyl	1 1 21 1

K.C.C. 2nd Innings.	
N. A. E. Mackay, run out	44
F. E. Skinner, b. Owen Hughes	37
E. F. Fincher, not out	37
G. Lee, b. Beck, b. McLellan	21
E. C. Fincher, b. Wolff	21
G. C. Burnett, not out	4
Extras	13
Total (for 4 wks.)	128

Goodwin, Hampton, Mead, Lyl and Lawrence did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.	
	O. M. R. W.
Beck	10 2 37 1
Owen Hughes	8 1 30 1
McLellan	3 1 30 1
Baker	3 1 16 1
Wolff	6 1 11 1

LEAGUE CRICKET.

Indian R.C. Teams for Saturday.

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club 1st XI in a League match against the Kowloon Cricket Club 1st XI, eleven at the Kowloon Cricket Club Ground on Saturday, February 27, at 2 p.m. (sharp).—M. R. Abbas (Capt.), A. R. Abbas, F. M. el Arculli, J. T. Barina, A. K. Ismail, I. Ismail, M. P. Mudar, K. Nazarin, A. M. Runjahn, A. R. Sufiad and A. S. Sufiad.

Indian R.C. Second.

The following will represent the Indian R.C. 2nd XI in a League match against the Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI at King's Park on Saturday, February 27, at 2 p.m. (sharp).—M. R. Abbas (Capt.), A. R. Abbas, F. M. el Arculli, J. T. Barina, A. K. Ismail, I. Ismail, M. P. Mudar, K. Nazarin, A. M. Runjahn, A. R. Sufiad and A. S. Sufiad.

KOWLOON MARATHON.

EVENT TO BE HELD ON MARCH 14.

Arrangements are in hand for the annual Kowloon Marathon Race which will be run on Monday, March 14. This race is organized by St. Andrew's Club, and is open to all Europeans in the Colony and members of the Club.

The course is approximately 3 1/2 miles, and starts in Nathan Road outside St. Andrew's Church. It runs in a northerly direction along Nathan Road to Waterloo Road; along Waterloo Road, Argyle Street, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City Road to Chatham Road, Salisbury Road and back into Nathan Road, finishing at the Church.

Details are not yet complete, but will be announced shortly.

BODIKER'S TENNIS TITLES.

WINS THREE EVENTS IN SHAMSEEN.

In perfect weather on Sunday last, the finals of the Shamseon Tennis Club championships were played off, when G. Bodiker won both the open and handicap men's singles events.

Both contests produced keen struggle and the high standard of play was enjoyed by a large gathering of Shamseon residents.

At the close, the prizes were presented by Mrs. Herbert Phillips, Major Willson, Secretary of the Club, asked Mrs. Phillips to accept a memento in the shape of a silver flower vase. He added the Club's good wishes on her impending departure for Hong Kong.

The complete results of the tournament were:

Ladies Singles Championship.
Won by Mrs. C. E. Watson.
Runner Up Mrs. Madam Laffond.

Men's Singles Championship.
Won by Mr. G. R. Bodiker.
Runner Up Mr. G. R. More.

Men's Doubles Championship.
Winners G. Bodiker & C. E. Watson.
Runners Up Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Watson.

Long Doubles Championship.
Winners (M. T. Rankin and G. W. Greene.)
Runners Up Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Watson.

Men's Handicap.
Winners Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Watson.
Runners Up Miss Fulton & M. T. Rankin.

Ladies Singles Handicap.
Winner Mrs. Madam Laffond.
Runner Up Mrs. G. Bodiker.

Ladies Doubles Handicap.
Winners Mrs. Watson & Miss Fulton.
Runners Up Mrs. Madam Laffond & Mrs. G. Bodiker.

Men's Doubles Handicap.
Winners J. W. Pete Hunt & G. R. More.
Runners Up C. Willson and S. Halfour.

A Hongkong Win.

Travelling nearly two hundred miles on a single day just for a game of tennis is what S. A. Runjahn, the well-known local player, did on Sunday last, when he journeyed up to Canton by the morning train, and returned by the evening train after having met the young Canton player, Leung Tak-king, in the few hours stay he had there.

The trouble deserved its reward, for "S.A." not only beat Leung Tak-king, the conqueror of E. C. Fincher in the Interport tournament, but did it in so convincing a manner that he won in three straight sets. The final scores were 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

Runjahn, who is popularly known, intends to go up to Canton again next Sunday to meet G. Bodiker, the Canton singles champion.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

PROCEEDS FOR SHANGHAI REFUGEES' RELIEF.

A charity football match is to be played on Sunday afternoon on the Caroline Hill Ground between the Army and the Chinese in aid of the Relief Fund for the Shanghai Refugees. The game is timed to commence at 4.15 p.m.

The Army team has been selected as follows: Pte. Johnson (S. W. Borderers); L/C Mullane (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Morrison (S. W. Borderers); Pte. McLashan (A. & S. Highlanders); Pte. Channing (S. W. Borderers); Cpl. Underwoods, apt. (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Harris (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Davis (S. W. Borderers); Sgt. Gillett (Royal Corps of Signals); Sgt. Cotton (Royal Corps of Signals); and Pte. Duncan (S. W. Borderers).

Reserves: Pte. Sands (R.A.O.C.); Pte. Henderson (A. & S. Highlanders); Pte. Morgan (S. W. Borderers); and Pte. Podmore (S. W. Borderers).



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The Steamship, "BENLEUCH"

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st March, 1932, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th March, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th February, 1932, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1932.

**N. Y. K. LINE
(NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.)**
From EUROPE AND STRAITS.
The Steamship,
"VANCOUVER MARU,"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 29th February, 1932, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period. For the examination of damaged dutiable goods, the consignees must arrange for a Revenue Officer to be present.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance will be effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1932.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.**
From DUNKIRK, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, LONDON & via SHANGHAI.

The Steamship,
"DOCTEUR PIERRE BENOIT"
Arrived Hongkong on Friday, the 19th February, 1932.

Consignees of Cargo by the above named steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before Monday the 29th February, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignee, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday the 25th February, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

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R. OHL,
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Emp. of Japan	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Emp. of Asia	Apr. 10	Apr. 12
Emp. of Canada	Apr. 15	Apr. 18	Emp. of Europe	Apr. 20	Apr. 22
Emp. of Russia	Apr. 25	Apr. 28	Emp. of Japan	Apr. 30	Apr. 31
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COMPANY REPORT.

THE HONGKONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LTD.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong Telephone Company to the shareholders at the meeting to be held on March 9 will state:

The Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1931, (including the sum of \$2,259,27 brought forward from the previous year), amounted to \$767,564.81. After charging \$333,724.51 for Depreciation and effecting, on the 4th August, 1931, the payment of an Interim Dividend of 4%, amounting to \$128,000.00, there remains the sum of \$395,840.00, which the Board recommend be appropriated as follows:

To payment of a Final Dividend of 5% (making 10% for the year) \$192,000.00

To Transfer to General Reserve (bringing name up to \$325,000) 50,000.00

Carry forward to next Account 63,840.00

\$309,840.00

Directors.

Under Article No. 105 of the Company's Articles of Association, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow and Mr. D. H. Blake retire by rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.

The accounts for the year under review have been audited by Messrs.

SOLICITOR FOR TRIAL.

ALLEGED CONVERSION OF CHEQUE.

William Douglas Sanders, aged thirty-two, solicitor, of Belgrave Court, Norfolk-terrace, Brighton, London, recently, with having received a cheque for £450 and a banker's draft for £4,084 on account of the executor of A. C. Liddell, converting the proceeds to his own use.

Sanders, who pleaded not guilty and reserved his defence, was committed for trial. He was allowed bail, himself in £1,000, and one surety in £500.

Mr. H. A. H. Morgan, prosecuting, said that Sanders was in practice as a solicitor at Bolton-street, W. Among his clients was Mr. Liddell, who died in 1927. Mr. Galbraith, a barrister, became sole executor under his will, and he instructed Sanders to wind up the estate.

The estate was sworn at about £50,000. Part of it consisted of a mansion at Lenington Spa, called Beachlawn.

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1,500 families homeless. A whole town cut off. 325,000 acres flooded.

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It was the rampant Tallahatchie River that caused the disaster.

For five weeks the waters have thundered against the Grassy Lake Levee (dam), and at last they broke through at three important points, and poured into the already partially-flooded Tippa Basin.

Convict Rescuers. Immediate orders were given for a concentration of boats at Glendora, three miles down the river.

Every available man was engaged in rescue work. Even convicts out of the gaols are being employed.

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ARMED ROBBERY.

THREE YOUTHS FACE A SERIOUS CHARGE.

Three Chinese youths, So Tak, Li Ming and Ko Yat-cho, were brought before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on the charge of having committed an armed robbery at No. 11 Saigon Street, second floor, on January 29. Detective Inspector Fallon prosecuted.

Outlining the case, Inspector Fallon said that at about 1.15 p.m. on January 29, the three defendants went up to the second floor of No. 11 Saigon Street and entered the premises by the staircase door. At the time, there were four females and two children on the floor. One of the defendants produced a pistol, and the other two carried knives. With these weapons, they pushed the inmates into a cubicle, but did not bind them all.

The robbers then ransacked the floor and stayed there for about half an hour. At the end of that period, they left taking away with them a quantity of jewellery.

One of the women of the floor did not do so because they thought she needed her hands to take care of her baby. This woman followed the robbers downstairs, and on reaching the street, raised the alarm. One of the robbers turned down a scavenging lane, while the other two made off in another direction.

A Long Chase. Mr. Mit Singh, a Police Reservist, was passing at the time, and on hearing the cries of the woman, he went in pursuit of the robber who had turned down the scavenging lane. There followed a long chase along side streets and in the course of this chase the robber threw away a parcel of jewellery he was holding in his hands. A Chinese student joined in the chase after a while, this additional aid resulting in the arrest of a man near Reclamation Street.

When taken to the Police Station, this man, whom Inspector Fallon alleged was the first defendant, was found to have some more jewellery on his person, and this property had since been identified by the victims of the robbery as theirs.

Pistol Recovered. Immediately after a report of the robbery had been received by the Yau-mat Police Station, a telephone message was received from the Diocesan Girls' School, Divisional Inspector Clark personally went to the school, on the grounds of which he picked up a pistol. The inmates would say, went on Inspector Fallon, that the robbers had used a weapon very similar to the one produced in Court. There was no direct evidence to show that the pistol was the one used at the robbery, however, although evidence would be given to show that the chase led past the grounds of the Diocesan Girls' School.

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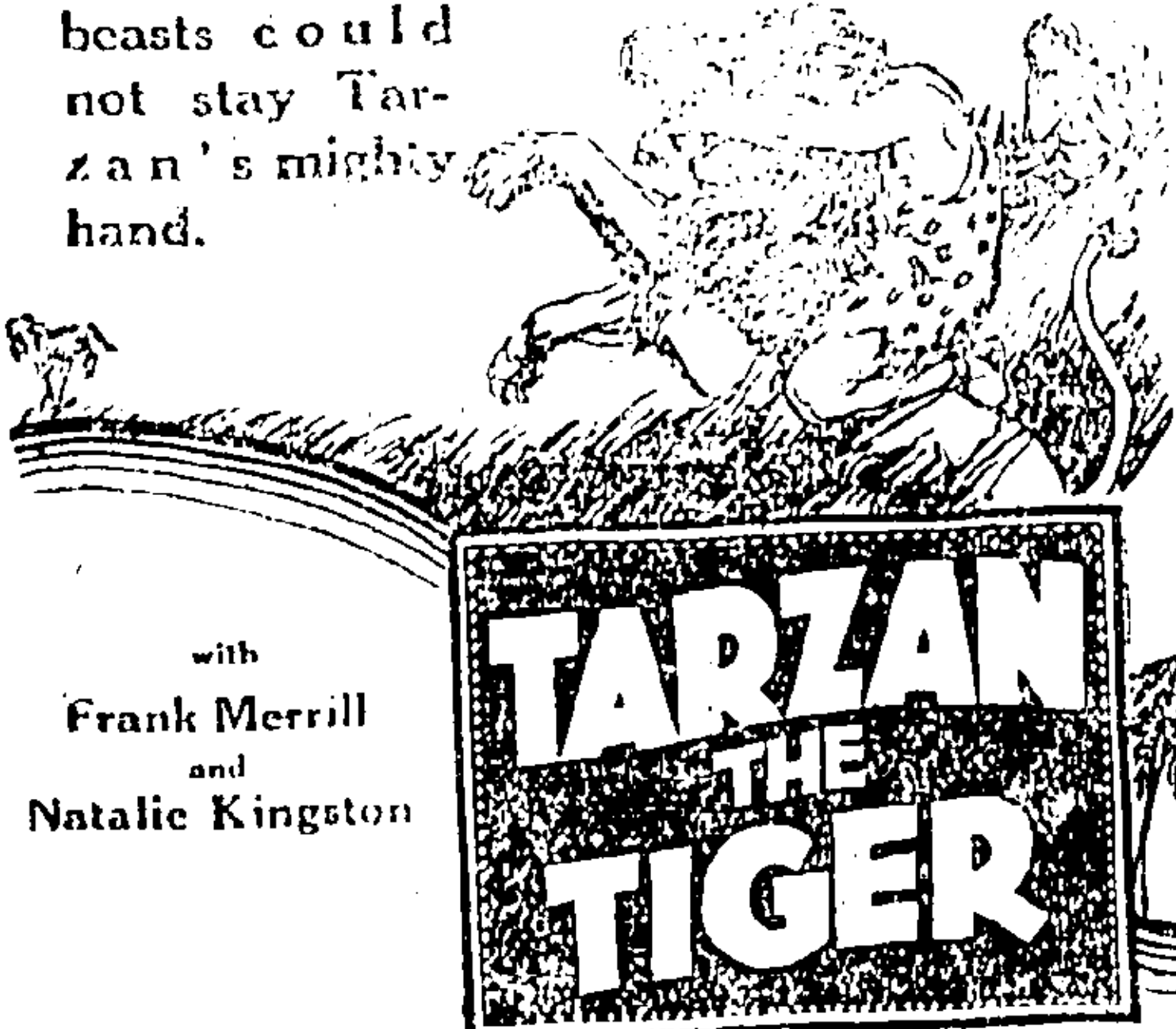
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HONGKONG TRADE RELAPSE.

JAPANESE BOYCOTT EFFECT.

According to the official returns compiled by the Statistical Branch of the Imports & Exports Department, the trade of the Colony suffered a relapse in the month of January, the total value of imports amounting to \$54 millions (the lowest figure since October 1930), while exports totalled \$38.3 millions (the lowest figure since the short month of February 1931). As compared with January of last year imports declined by \$5.6 millions, while exports fell \$9.7 millions. Part of the decline in the trade of the Colony during January was due to the Chinese boycott of Japanese goods which continued with increasing intensity, the total imports from Japan amounting to only \$1.3 millions as compared with \$5.2 millions in January 1931; since goods declining by \$1.9 millions and foodstuffs by \$1.1 millions.

BRITISH TARIFF SCHEDULE.

ADDITIONS TO THE FREE LIST.

London, Feb. 23.
An extension of the free list under the Import Duties Bill was announced by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the House of Commons to-day.
The goods now freed from the general tariff include maize, pearl, semi-precious stones, platinum, all animal hair, export, potash, ores of all kinds, copper, coal, coke and British-produced whale oil. *Reuter.*

A fine of \$25,000, with the alternative of one year's hard labour, was imposed on a Chinese who pleaded guilty before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning to a charge of being in possession of 1,580 tacks of raw opium which was found by Revenue Officer Tongrove under the defendant's bed at 309, Lockhart Road. The value of the opium was given as \$4,740.

SUBMARINE HERO.

KING INVESTS C.P.O. WILLS WITH THE ALBERT MEDAL.

London, Feb. 23.
His Majesty the king held the first Investiture of the year at Buckingham Palace to-day and among those decorated was Chief Petty Officer Willis, who received the Albert Medal for great heroism displayed in the Poseidon submarine disaster.

After the ceremony, C. P. O. Willis had private audience of the King, who talked with him for several minutes.

A large crowd cheered Willis as he left the Palace.
The official description of his deed recalls how, in the darkness of the sunken and slowly flooding submarine, he ordered the men in his compartment to put on escape apparatus, kept up their spirits, and by his coolness, confidence, ability and power of command in a desperate situation saved most of their lives. *British Wireless.*



Our photo shows one of the warder victims of the Dartmoor mutiny, heavily bandaged. The Governor has been given charge of Cardiff Prison, control of Dartmoor being entrusted to his former second-in-command.

LUSITANO CLUB SWEEP.

RESULT OF LAST NIGHT'S DRAW.

The Lusitano Club draw on the Champions was made last night. The first prize is \$8,616.06; the second, \$2,433.16 and the third, \$1,216.55. Unplaced qualified ponies receive \$61.44 each.

The draw resulted as follows:
Buchanan 11965
Much Ado 6018
Echo 7092
Lunar Star 7428
Sitting Bull 1944
Racing Boy 6227
Flying Tourist 4909
King's Bounty 1707
Gay Crusader 7140
Wild Life 12200
Diana Bay 6470
Sivash 4928
Doctor's Mandate 6579
Cyclamen Bay 5227
Bistre 4159
Liberty Bell 4209
Glenogle 5004
Workable Stag 4566
Helter Skelter 5422
Meridian Star 8372
Sadko 7440
Path Finder 11180
Princess Hall 7733
Apollo 4211
The Field 2441

SILVER RATHER STEADIER.

NEW YORK MARKET FIRM.

Silver is rather stronger to-day, advances being reported both from London and New York. The local dollar, however, remains unchanged, with practically nothing passing.

In London, silver advanced 1.8th spot and forward. China bought, and the Continent bought and sold. Sellers held off. After the official fixing, the market ruled quietly steady.

New York reports a rise of three quarters, with the market firm.

The cross-rate continues to improve, the latest quotation being 3.47 1/4.

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LIONEL BARRYMORE'S NEW TRIUMPH.

Charged before the Hon. Comdr. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning, with having used his motor boat outside the local trade limits on February 10, the coxswain, Leung Ping-kwan, was fined \$100 or three months' imprisonment. Chief, Junk

Inspector Hillyer said the accused was at Cheung Chau. Comdr. Hole remarked that it was a very serious offence, not only because accused was outside the limits, but also because his boat carried only two life-saving appliances.

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